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— FOREWORD —

This account of the Jeffords family in Williamstown, Vermont is the result of years of intermittent work and research, which was started without any thought of ever publishing it. Some of the material was gathered over thirty years ago and laid aside owing to the pressure of other business which demanded constant attention. However when there was a little release from some of the more pressing duties my decision was made that now if ever was the time to finish this work.

Admission is first made that there are many omissions and undoubtedly mistakes. In some instances there is no one left to ask for data and others are so disinterested as to make no answers to requests for information. Then, as a family, there are not as many records available as is the case with some families. Old Bibles and other records are notable by their absence.

As is the way with youth, the compiler did not take sufficient interest in the subject to ask the then living older generations the questions that should have been asked and facts noted — and now it is, “later than we think,” as far as recovering some of the perhaps most interesting affairs and events that may have taken place.

The correspondence with libraries and historical societies has been large and generally unproductive of any results regarding our name. Efforts have been made to gather information on only that branch of the family that settled in Williamstown, Vt., except some data on the Nathan Jeffords branch that I received some years ago. The early families here “ran” to girls and the name locally is confined to the descendants of Jason H. Jeffords. Of the nine children of Jacob, Sr., only two sons lived to maturity, and of the twelve children of Jacob, Jr., only Jason H. has sons who lived to attain maturity.

The older generations were mainly farmers and were strong physically and just the kind of people to pioneer — they almost literally “wrought righteousness, subdued the wilderness and stopped the mouths of such wild animals as were here at their time of life.”

While they have not occupied the seats of the mighty by way of public office, neither have they been doing time in “durance

vile” as the old saying goes. As a family they have been workers and attended to their own business and voted the Republican ticket, were musically inclined — some singers and others violinists.

The brief account of the Simon Jeffords family might be of interest as showing that there are others of our name that may or may not be in any way connected with the Francis Jeffords branch, and if so, so remote as to be negligible.

Here the compiler extends thanks to any and all who have in any way helped in compiling this work. As far as is known there is no other work or account of the name of Jeffords to be found in any large library or historical society in the country and if any one wishes to include this account or any part thereof in a larger and more comprehensive work the writer will be only too glad to have helped to this extent.

This account was compiled with the full realization that we each stand on our own merits and that no one at present cares who our parents or grandparents were. It is nevertheless interesting and worthwhile to know at least the names and occupations of some of our forebears and how much they may have contributed to the age in which they lived.

With these reflections this work is passed on to whoever may be interested.

January, 1962

PERCY J. JEFFORDS,
Williamstown, Vermont



HENRY HATCH



ELIZABETH (JEFFORDS) HATCH



SIBBELAR (JEFFORDS) MERRILL



MRS. POLLY (JEFFORDS) BEAN



RUSSELL & RUHAMAH JEFFORDS FRANK AND MAY PRATT JEFFORDS



HADEN M. JEFFORDS



LILLA MYWHEATLEY JEFFORDS

GIFFARDS-JEFFORDS

From Burkes Landed Gentry — Pages 881-882

The name Giffards appears first when William the Conquerer came to England at the time of the Norman Conquest in 1066. One Osburne Giffards came over to England with him and his descendants are as follows: disregarding dates: Walter, Ellis (Helias) Asburne, Sir John, Roger, Nicholas, Francis of St. James Abbey, d. 1625. This Francis is the man that we are especially interested in. He died in 1625, leaving a son, Francis, who was a tallow chandler by trade in London, and who married and had children. This man or one of his sons named Francis, appears to be the migrant to New England in the early sixteen hundreds. While there are no records to absolutely substantiate this belief, there are no records to prove that he is not the same man.

Several of the names above mentioned had large families of children, but as at that time only the oldest son was considered the heir and was mostly mentioned in the early records, we have dropped all the names except Francis who was not the eldest and therefore not considered the heir at law. However, the following mention may be made of the various sons: Walter died without issue; Osburne was created Earl of Buckingham, a title created by William the Conquerer in 1070, and he was known as Osburne De Bolbec, a noble Norman; son, Richard, Duke of Normandy, Mar. Avelina, sister of Duke of Normandy — 2 sons, Walter and Osburne, ancestor of Giffards of Stafford.

Walter was granted for his noble services at the battle of Hastings, the title of Earl of Buckingham. He died without issue.

Osburne Giffard held one lordship in Berkshire, one in Oxford, one in Dorset and Gloucestershire — d. 1086 — Son, Helias Giffard, 2 sons, Helias, his heir and Gilbert.

Helias, like father, a great benefactor to church. Grandson Helias m. King Henry II dau. Maud. d. 1190 — sons Thos. and Helias.

John — very romantic and exciting life — d. 1299 — son Sir John Giffard K.B. Finally executed by King Edward II — with issue.

There are five different Jeffords coats of arms:—

Giffords of Chillingham	Giffords of Scotland
Giffords of Ireland	Giffords of Wexford
Giffords of Wexford-Staffordshire	

One Simon Jefferds came to this country and located in Salem, Mass. in 1698 where he married Elizabeth Cole. Their children were James, Samuel and Mary. After the death of his wife he moved to Virginia where he again married and all further record of him is lost. Samuel, the second son, was educated at Harvard College by his grandmother Cole with whom he and his sister Mary lived after his mother's death. After graduating in 1722 he taught school in Beverly for one year and then studied divinity. Early in 1725 he went to Wells, Maine, to preach as a candidate, where he received and accepted a call to become pastor, and on Dec. 15, 1728 was ordained at the age of 21. The following year he married Sarah Wheelwright, daughter of Col. John Wheelwright of Wells. They had ten children named Samuel, George, Simon, Bartholomew, William, Elizabeth, Sarah, Susan, Mary and Abigail.

In 1752 Samuel married Hannah Hill, daughter of Nathaniel Hill of Wells. Their children were William, Samuel, Nathaniel, Elizabeth and Hannah. William, the eldest son, married Olive Gilpatrick in 1775. Their children Nathaniel, William, Joseph, George, Clement, Ivory, Hannah, Eliza and Olive.

The descendants of this Simon Jeffords are probably more numerous than the descendants of Francis. There is nothing that shows anywhere to prove that Simon and Francis were any related and nothing to show just which part of England they came from.

There are descendants of John Jeffords in central New York state and his grandson, Charles Locke Jeffords, lived in Monroe County. I am told that there is a picture of him, his residence and factory in the History of Orange County, New York, "Axe and Edge Tools." Also Joseph Jeffords lived in central New York and has descendants in that area.

Capt. Samuel Jefferds, born Boston, 1752, entered the Continental Army at the age of 23, served through the war and for three years after peace was declared. He is said to have distinguished himself in such a manner as to enjoy the confidence of Washington, Greene, Hamilton, Knox and their associates and was elect-

ed a member of the Society of Cincinnati in 1785. The following is a copy of his certificate of membership now in the possession of his descendants:

“Be it known that Samuel Jefferds, Captain of Artillery in the late army, is a member of the Society of Cincinnati, instituted by the officers of the American Army, at the period of its dissolution, as well as to commemorate the great event which gave independence to North America as for the laudable purpose of inculcating the duty of laying down in peace, arms assumed for public defense, and uniting in acts of brotherly affection and bonds of perpetual friendship, the members constituting same.

“In testimony whereof, I, President of the said Society, have hereunto set my hand at Mt. Vernon, in the State of Virginia, this 10th day of December, in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-five, in the tenth year of the independence of the United States.

By Order.

Knox, Secretary

G. Washington, President”

By the Constitution, the honors of this association were to be hereditary in the eldest male heir of original members, and in default of male issue in the collateral male line.

Copied from the History of Putnam County, N. Y.

Also it may be of interest to know that our name occurs in the southern states in many instances, notably in Virginia, South Carolina and Florida. The men have been large landowners, doctors, lawyers and judges.

The compiler wishes to here acknowledge and thank all who have in any way helped along this work. Especially he is grateful to Hon. Tracy L. Jeffords who sent him letters and papers and gave him leads to other people who were of help. Mention should be made of Mrs. Dr. Burleigh (Angeline Jefferds) of Worcester, Mass., Capt. Charles Q. Jefferds, of the Citadel, Charleston, S. C., Mr. Joseph Jefferds of Charleston, W. Virginia, Miss Elizabeth Jefferds of Lima, New York, and others living nearby.

The genealogies of the Adams, Abbott, Martin (A. M. Smith) were used and some parts wholly taken from these works.

“There is no subject more difficult to be dwelt upon

than honorable descent, none in which the world are greater sceptics, none more offensive to them; and yet there is no quality to which every one in his heart pays so great a respect.”

“The pride of ancestry is the foundation of the pride of character, without which no man can be great. There is a moral and philosophical respect for our ancestors which elevates the character and inspires the heart.”

Whether the coat-of-arms herein described may be legitimately borne by the descendants of Francis Jeffords is questionable, as there are so many other arms registered under names of nearly the same origin or spelling.

Gifford — Ancient English family — the surname is derived from a Saxon word signifying liberal disposition, the giver. It is also a place name from a town on the water of Gifford, Huddington County, Scotland, from the Celtic word Gaf, a hook, a bend, and ford. In many instances Gifford and Jefford are the same name and in many cases only a difference in spelling even for the same person.

Giffard of Chillingham — Lineage — Osburne De Bolbec, a noble Norman living in the time of Richard I — son Walter who obtained the name Giffard, or the liberal in 1125.

The variation in the spelling of the name is often misleading as there are records of its having been spelled Gifford — Giffards — Giffords — Giford — Jeford — Jefford — Jaford — Jefferds — Jafford — Jeffords, etc., always meaning the same family and sometimes the same party will have his or her name used in several different ways of spelling.

Our line seems to be the Giffards of Chillingham and the coat-of-arms — the Authority for which is taken from Burkes General Amory, etc. Bowditch and Savage’s Genealogical Dictionary. This Coat-of-Arms is for the descendants of Simon Jeffords and Francis Jeffords of New England, and is as follows:

SHIELD: Sable, a lion rampant or, between three scaling ladders or,

CREST: A castle with two towers, or,

MOTTO: Fac Recte at Nil Time.

Explanation of Symbols of Coat-of-Arms:

LION: One of the most ancient forms of symbolism. Emblem of deathless courage. Used by English Royalty. Courageous and strong of body, politic in council; foe of fear.

RAMPANT: Ready to attack — in fighting position.

SCALING LADDERS: Symbol of capture of fortresses by stratagem.

CASTLE: Emblem of grandeur and solidity. Granted to one who has faithfully held it for his king.

MOTTO: Do right and fear nothing.

COLORS: Sable (black), or (Gold).



I. FRANCIS JEFFORDS

Our first New England ancestor, son of Francis, is thought to have come from London, was one of eight children and a wax or tallow chandler by trade, before coming to the new world. There is no record of the date of his arrival in this country, also nothing said about his wife or family, or his occupation after arriving in America. However he must have been a man of affairs as his name appears in a list of names in 1679 and as a witness in 1678 and again as a juryman in 1681.

There is on file in the office of the Secretary of State in Mass. (Archives Div.) a list of soldiers belonging to towns in Essex County under Capt. Joseph Gardner for an expedition in 1675. The name of Francis Jeffords among them. In "Soldiers of King Phillips War," by George M. Bodge is shown that on August 24, 1676 Francis Jeffords assigns his wages of £5, 16s 9d to the town of Salem.

That he later lived in Maine is further verified by the following: April 7, 1689 Henry Boyte cleared land lying by highway to Francis Jeffords landing place and Francis Jefford's lot.

Francis Jeffords was killed by the Indians at Casco Bay about

1690. It is assumed that he was a farmer, or at least a land owner and something of a seafaring man or fisherman, also a man of various affairs.

In the land records in the Essex, Mass. Deeds, Vol. 37, page 17, there is recorded a deed in which John, son of Francis Jeffords of Casco Bay, Maine is mentioned. There is extant a copy of an agreement between the heirs of Francis Jeffords, thereby proving the sonship of John of Hopkinton, Mass.

2. John Jeffords of Hopkinton, Mass., is the next in line and the following is mostly taken from the Hopkinton, Mass. Vital Records. There appears to be no record of his first marriage and the names of the children of this marriage are taken from his last will and testament of which a copy is herewith printed. John was a landowner and farmer and died there in Hopkinton about 1740 and his widow later married, Dec. 6, 1760, George Robinson.

2. John Jeffords married May 5, 1721 Lydia Bayley of Hopkinton, Mass.

Children (Hopkinton Vital Records) :

3. Daniel, b. 19 Sept., 1722.
4. John, b. 4 Dec., 1724.
5. Nathan, b. 30 Mar., 1727.
6. Moses, b. 24 Feb., 1729/30.
7. Lydia, b. 8 July, 1732.
8. Priscilla, b. 8 October, 1735.

In the Salem vital records:

9. Mary Jeffords, bp. 26 Aug., 1711.
10. Elliner Jeffords, bp. 19 Oct., 1712.
11. Elizabeth Jeffords, bp. 27 June, 1714.

Daughters of John and

From Will: Eleanor — Mary — Elizabeth — Hannah and Sarah — no dates given for Hannah and Sarah. There are no deaths in Hopkinton Records.

Nothing further known about this John, only that he was a farmer in Hopkinton and was a person of some standing in the town and owned several pieces of real estate.

A short account of the Bayley lineage is here given space:

“Savage”: Bayley, John (1), Salisbury, weaver, from Chippenham, Co. Wilts, “On Angel Gabriel.”

“Cast away at Pemaquid in great storm”. Rem. Aug. 15, 1650 to Newbury, bef. set. of Salem. d. Nov. 1651. Wife never came over, afraid to go back. In will, tried to tempt them hither by parts of estate. Had Robert and two others.

John (2) Bayley came with father. 1669, d. Mar. 1691. (78)

Joseph (3) Bayley, b. Apr. 4, 1648, Newbury. Rem. to Kennebunk, k. by Indians Oct. 1723— m. Priscilla — 9 children.

Lydia (4) Bayley, b. Nov. 25, 1695 — m. as 2nd wife, May 13, 1721.

John Jeffords (Francis) Rem. to Hopkinton — had:

Daniel, b. Sept. 19, 1722.

John, b. Dec. 4, 1724, bp. Dec. 20, Boxford C.R.I.

Nathan, b. Mar. 30, 1727, bp. Apr. 9, Boxford, C.R.I. m. Feb. 8, 1750, Mary Cody.

Moses, b. Feb. 24, 1729/30, m. May 21, 1751, Sybel Hayden.

Lydia, b. 1723, m. Plank.

Priscilla, b. 1735.”

Hopkinton Marriages:

Elenor Jeffords m. Sam'l Gould Oct. 5, 1732.

Mary Jeffords m. Sam'l Tilton Nov. 12, 1730.

Elizabeth Jeffords m. Robt. Claflin Oct. 28, 1734.

These three daughters are daughters from a first marriage of John Jeffords.

Copy of Will of John Jeffords of Hopkinton, Mass. — 1739

“In the name of God Amen, the fifteenth day of January in the year of our Lord 1739, I John Jefords of Hopkinton in the County of Middlesex in New Egland, Husbandman being under the prevailing power of a cancer, but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given unto God therefor, calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for men once to die, do make and ordain this my last Will and testament, that is to say principally and first of all I Give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it hoping through the merits of my Savior Jesus Christ to have full and free pardon of all my sins and to inherit Everlasting life and my body to commit to the earth to be decently Buried at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named, nothing doubting but at the General Resurrection I shall receive the same again by his mighty power of God and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me in this Life, I Give, demise and dispose of the same in the following manner: *—

First I will that all those Debts and duties as I do owe in right or Conscience to any person or persons shall be well and truly paid or ordained to be paid in convenient time after my decease by my Executor hereafter named:—

Item — I Give and bequeath to Lydia my dearly beloved wife whom I likewise constitute, make and ordain my only and sole executrix of this my last Will and Testament, all my movable Estate within doors and without forever, and also the East side of my Dwelling house and the improvement of one third part of my home lot which I hold by Lease during her life. —

Item — I Give to my Eldest Son Daniel and to my second son John the remainder of my buildings and my home lot above mentioned reserving the improvement of one third part of sd. lot to my wife as above sd. during her life and then that also to become sd. Daniels and Johns all to be equally divided between them: to wit if sd. Daniel and John paying Legacys to the rest of my children (each paying a like proportion) as I appoint viz:—

I give to my Daughter Mary the sum of five pounds — Item — to my Daughter Elenor the sum of five pounds;

Item — to my daughter Elizabeth one pound and four pounds to her first son when he cometh to twenty-one years of age.

To my Daughter Hannah five pounds —
To my Daughter Sarah — the sum of five pounds.

The above legacies to my five daughters already mentioned are to be paid ten years after my decease and further to pay to Nathan my third son the sum of Twenty pounds — to my fourth son, Moses, the sum of Twenty pounds.

Amen.

Then to my Daughter Lydia the sum of fifteen pounds —

Item — To my daughter Priscilla the sum of fifteen pounds — the four legacys Last mentioned are to be paid when the children which are to receive them come to age — and further I order my Executrix to sell or dispose of that fourty acres of Lease Land which I bought of Jacob Potter and the price to be improved to pay my debts as far as it will go.

I ratify and Confirm this to be my last will and Testament and in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day and year above written.

his
John (X) Jefords
mark (SEAL)

Signed, Sealed, Published
Pronounced and Declared by the
Said John Jefords as his last
Will and Testament in the presence
of us the subscribers viz:

Joseph Haven
Dan Bayley
her
Mary (X) Watkins”
mark

Third Generation

6. Moses Jeffords, b. 24 Feb. 1729 — Sybill Hayden, b. Jun. 20, 1735, Hopkinton, Mass. M. 21 May, 1751, d. 1799, ae. 63, dau. of Edmund Hayden and Sarah Fairbanks, of & in Holliston, Mass.

Children, Hopkinton Vital Records:

- 12. Lydia, bp. 8 June, 1752.
- 13. Priscilla, b. 14 Nov., 1753.
- 14. Nathan, b. 2 Sept., 1755.

The following children are not recorded in Hopkinton records as it is thought that Moses and Sibbilar moved to Williamstown, Mass.

- 15. Moses, b. 1756.
- 16. Darius.
- 17. John Dyer.
- 18. Jacob, b. 9 Apr., 1765.

Moses and Sibil are thought to be the parents of twin boys —
19. Joseph and 20. Benjamin — no dates given. Williamstown, Mass. records have marriage of Benjamin Jeffords and Sally Rich — 1790, said to have moved to Rush, N. Y.

Moses is thought to have died in Williamstown, Mass. The census of 1790 records Sibbilar as a resident of Williamstown, Mass. with 3 others in the family.

Sibbilar died in Williamstown, Vt. where she was living with her son, Jacob, in 1799, and is buried in the East Hill Cemetery in that town.

Unfortunately nothing is known about the lives of Moses and Sibilla. However we may suppose that they were farmers and always pioneering or looking for greener pastures. It is not known whether they accumulated property either.

There are no records showing the birth of the last three children and no family records are known to be existing to verify these births, except that of Jacob.

Sibil — Sybil — Sibella and Sibellar are all the same person.

No attempt has been made to follow the lines of any of the children except the Williamstown, Vt. residents except that the line of Nathan has been sent to the compiler in part at least.

Nathan Jeffords, Sr.

The following was sent to the compiler by Mr. O. M. Jeffords, who was an officer in the Seaboard National Bank, No. 18 Broadway, New York, on May 12th, 1919. This was "Copied from a record made by Orphelia C. Jeffords, Daughter of Nathan and Polly Jeffords, son and daughter-in-law of Nathan Jeffords, Senior."

14. Nathan Jeffords and Rebekah Sherwood were married Mar. 12, 1781.

21. Nathan Jeffords born Aug. 3, 1757 and Rebekah Sherwood born Apr. 21, 1762.

Children — Lydia Jeffords, b. Oct. 19th, 1782; Nathan Jeffords, Jr., b. Apr. 21st, 1786; Moses Jeffords, b. Mar. 4, 1788; Sarah Jeffords, b. Sept. 3, 1789; Rebekah Jeffords, b. Sept., 1781; Permelia Jeffords, b. May 28, 1794. They lived at Richfield Springs, N. Y.

Nathan Jeffords, Sr. and Salla Helms were married July 2, 1802. Children:—

22. Sabrina Jeffords, b. July 31, 1803, d. Jan. 4, 1848, aged 44 years.

23. Aseneth Jeffords, b. Jan. 17, 1805, d. Aug. 8, 1836, aged 31 years.

24. Eliza Jeffords, b. Sept. 30, 1806, d. Jan. 2, 1808.

25. Delilah Jeffords, b. Mar. 31, 1809, d.

26. Mercy Jeffords, b. Apr. 13, 1811, d. Dec. 9, 1859.

27. Liberty Jeffords, b. Apr. 18, 1813, d. July 13, 1898.

28. Freedom Jeffords, b. Jan. 30, 1815, d. Mar. 7, 1867.

29. Independence Lorenzo Jeffords and Diana Priscilla Jeffords, b. Jan. 1, 1817. I. L. Jeffords d. May 24, 1849. Diana P. d. July 16, 1897.

Nathan Jeffords lived in Richfield, Otsego County, N. Y. His first wife died Mar. 3, 1801 and he departed Aug. 6, 1819, his second wife following in Apr. 8, 1857.

Delilah Jeffords became the wife of Judge Price (Peter) and he was prominent in Kalamazoo, Mich.

30. Freedom, son of Nathan, married Lurancy Willard at Buffalo, N. Y., 1848; their children:—

Willard Independence, living at Lima Ohio.

Owel Melville, now living at Weehawken, N. J.

Carlin Lamont — deceased.

Claribel, now Mrs. C. L. Woodward, now living in Kansas City.

Willard I. has two children, Edna Laura, now Mrs. A. B. Klotton, living at Cortland, N. Y., and Roy Willard, living at Lima, Ohio.

Owel M. has two children, Lamont Allen and Wynne I.

The father of Hon. O. M. Jeffords was Freedom. He Owel M. Jeffords, was born in Steamburg, Catt. County, N. Y., where his father was in the lumber business and engaged in farming, he owning at the time of his death, 314 acres. Mother moved to Randolph, N. Y. after father's death. I (Owel M.) married in East Randolph, N. Y. in 1877. "We have two sons, Lamont A., now in Brocton, N. Y. in a furniture factory and Wynne I. who lives in Allendale, N. J., four miles beyond Ridgewood, N. J. where I have my home, and he is Estimating Engineer for the Erie R.R. with his office at the main business quarters of the company at No. 30 Church St., N. Y. I have worked in the Seaboard National Bank since July 22, 1892, having been an officer since 1907."

Nathan Jeffords, son of Nathan and Rebekah, had a son, Capt. Nathan, who in turn had a son, Nathan Hayden, all of whom lived in New York State.

Nathan Hayden had several children, among whom was Miss Elizabeth Jeffords of Lima, N. Y., who was a teacher of German and history in the Interlaken, N. Y. High School for a long period of time.

She was a great help in getting the relationship straight for this branch of the family, but has now passed on and there is no one available from whom to get data.

31. Elizabeth Jeffords had spent some time in Germany perfecting herself in the language, being there at the outbreak of World War I.



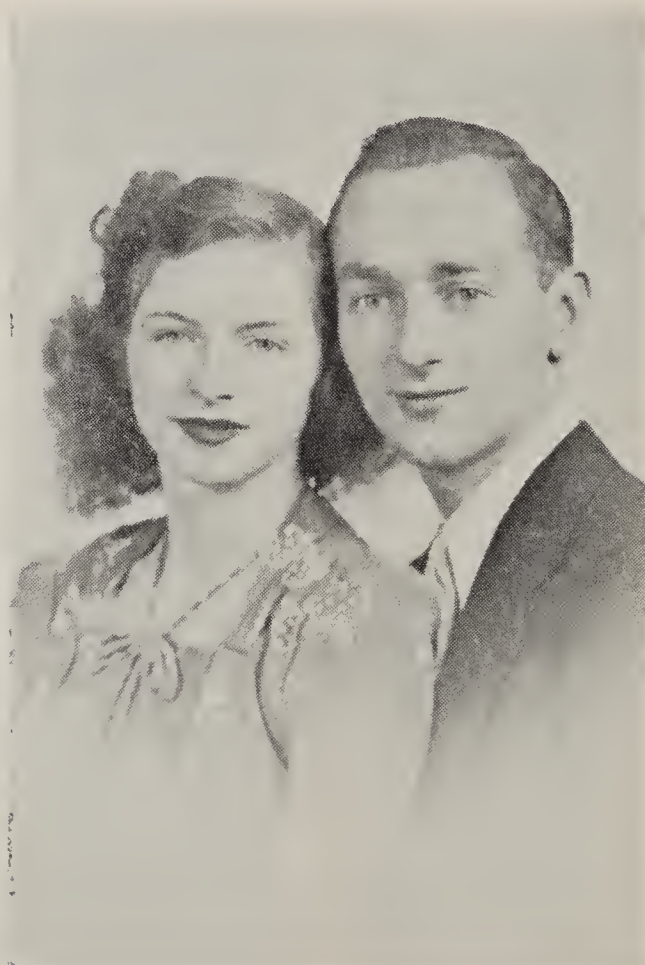
JASON H. JEFFORDS



ALCINA L. (MARTIN) JEFFORDS
HIS WIFE



LT. COL. and MRS. FRANCIS W. JEFFORDS and FAMILY



MR. and MRS. FRANKLIN JEFFORDS

About 1800 one Joseph Jeffords and wife, Susannah Morrison, came to Rush, N. Y., from Williamstown, Mass. Their children were Daniel, John, Luther, Morrison, Cynthia, Lucinda, Sybil, Eber and Thomas Jefferson Jeffords. This latter was a lawyer, doing all the business for the town during the Civil War, paying bounties and raising money for war purposes. Joseph's family and Nathan's family called themselves cousins and visited back and forth. This fact makes it almost a surety that Joseph was a son of Moses and Sybil Jeffords of Williamstown, Mass.



The Jeffords Name in Williamstown, Vermont

The name Jeffords first appears in the Williamstown, Vt. records among the Proprietors records with the name of one Moses Jeffords as one of the Proprietors. His name is mentioned in the records of their meetings in Bennington, Vt. This Moses lived in or near Williamstown, Mass., as did most of the proprietors of the town of Williamstown, Vt. And, incidentally this fact is thought to be the reason for the name being given to the Vermont town. He was also a Revolutionary Soldier, and a man of prominence in the newly organized town of Williamstown, Vt., having held the office of tax collector and constable for several years.

There are records of deeds from Daniel Johnson of Williamstown, Mass., to Jacob Jeffords, Yoeman, of Ballston, N. Y., whereby were conveyed one hundred acres of land for Fifteen Pounds lawful money of the State of Massachusetts. Also a deed to Moses Jeffords of a lot of land for Nine Pounds, also a deed from Moses to Darius Jeffords of Cooksborough, New York. In 1788 Moses Jeffords conveyed land to one Asa Jeffords but there is no record of his having ever lived there.

In a list of the Freeman of the town in 1788 the names of Moses, Jacob, Darius and John D. Jeffords appear.

Jacob and Moses cleared land, erected homes and proceeded to make the town their home and raised families here and finally died in town. Darius lived here until about 1807 and then he seems to have disappeared while John Dyer may not have stayed

in town for a very long period of time as there are very few records concerning him.

The location of the home of Moses Jeffords is at the foot of a hill on the south side of a road leading west from the Judge Paine Turnpike, and at the extreme edge of the town near Northfield line. The cellar is visible at the present time and the old lilac bushes that inevitably mark the places of so many former Vermont homes. Also there are the graves of several of their children near the stone wall across the road. The stones have been removed to the West Hill Cemetery in Williamstown to save them from further vandalism. The next farm to the west is the former Moses Robinson farm. Moses' son, Edward, eventually married Cora Robinson, daughter of the Robinsons. This was one of the first places settled in Northfield. The hardtop highway leading from Williamstown to Northfield now runs by the Robinson farm but the road past the old Jeffords farm is abandoned and the place may be reached by walking up the old road.

Jacob purchased land in the extreme southern line of lots in the town next to Brookfield line and the place is now owned by Mrs. Mary G. Graham. This farm was at that time on a main highway to Brookfield, as there was no road through the Gulf. Now, however, the place is left "high and dry" on the south side of the hill.

There are other records of deeds of land which are of no particular interest only that they show that there was considerable interest and business in buying and selling land at that time.

In the early days of the town there were no fences and every man had to have cattle marks recorded in the town clerk's office to claim his cattle if they strayed far from home. The Jeffords cattle marks are as follows: From Book 1 — page 85, of the town records:—

Jacob Jeffords mark is a round hole in the right ear.

Moses Jeffords mark is a round hole in each ear.

Darius Jeffords mark is 2 slits in the left ear.

15. Moses Jeffords — born Hopkinson, Mass. 1756, son of Moses and Sibbilla Hayden Jeffords — d. Williamstown, Vt. 1829 — Married June 26, 1791, Mary Kendall of Plymouth, New Hampshire.

He purchased land in Williamstown, Vt. 1784-85 and 86 and finally settled on a lot in the extreme western part of the town about one mile west from the Judge Paine farm and near the Moses Robinson place in Northfield where he built a large house and all other farm buildings. The only visible part remaining is the old cellar hole and the lilac bushes to remind the present generation of a once, we hope, happy home and family busily engaged in the business of living and making a living.

Moses was one of the proprietors of the town and his name appears on various deeds when selling land for taxes when he held the office of constable and tax collector.

The Revolutionary Records show that Moses Jeffords was a private in Capt. Sam'l Clarks Co., Col. Ben Symonds Regt. Enlisted Sept. 7, 1777, discharged Sept. 30, 1777. Service 24 days. And again from June 29, 1780 to Dec 31, 1780, Service 6 mos. 10 days.

The highway leading from the Paine Turnpike to the Jeffords home and Northfield line has long since been abandoned but may be easily followed westerly down through the J. R. Lyon farm and past the Paine sugarplace and down the "Jeffords Hill," so-called, to the small cemetery at the corner of the Northfield road across from the Moses Robinson farm.

Nothing is known about the man as a person, except that he was a member of the Baptist Church and a good substantial citizen. Several of their children are buried across the road from their home near the stonewall where the graves may be seen. The stones have been removed to the West Hill Cemetery in Williamstown to save them from further damage. It is not known exactly where Mr. and Mrs. Jeffords are buried, whether near their children, in the cemetery on the corner above mentioned or in the West Hill Cemetery. A government marker has been set in the last named place naming him as a Revolutionary soldier.

Moses died about 1829 — administrator of his estate appointed May 15, 1829.

Children of Moses and Mary Kendall Jeffords: all born in Williamstown,

44. Arpilisa, b. Mar. 29, 1792 — d. July 1, 1795.

45. Sally, b. Feb. 15, 1794.
46. Moses, b. May 31, 1796 — d. Sept. 15, 1807, ae. 11 yrs. 8 mos. 15 da.
47. Arpilisa, b. July 17, 1798.
48. Sophia, b. Oct. 6, 1800.
49. Orvilla.
50. Edward K.
51. George.
52. Mary Jane.

Arpilisa Jeffords married a man named Johnston and lived in Northfield, Vt. Had a son named Moses Johnston and there are descendants living in Tarrytown, N. Y.

Sally Jeffords married George Antrim. Nothing further is known concerning her.

18. Jacob Jeffords, Sr., son of Moses Jeffords and Sibbillar Hayden Jeffords, was born in Hopkinton, Mass., April 9, 1765, d. Williamstown, Vt., Dec. 3, 1847. Married Hannah Richardson of Northfield, Vt. May 24, 1791. This was the first marriage service performed in the then new Town of Williamstown, Vt. The service was performed by Cornelius Lynde, Justice of the Peace, who lived on the main highway from Northfield to Williamstown. It is related that Mrs. Jeffords rode from Northfield to Williamstown horseback, riding back of her husband, dressed in white and carrying her worldly possessions tied up in a linen handkerchief. It is also related that the road was not very well defined at that time and they went by marked trees part of the way, and the various noises of wild animals could be heard at times.

Hannah was born in Haddam, Conn., the daughter of Samuel Richardson and Clarissa Warburton. They were early settlers of Northfield, Vt., where he was a shoemaker and is said to have been a famous story teller. His son, Jonathan, b. 1767, owned a dog for which the "Dog River" was named. He is said to have been a famous hunter and once killed ten wolves in one day.

Hannah was a very plucky woman and there are many stories told of her valor. Here are two that will suffice. During the early days of their married life one night sometime before dark, Mrs. Jeffords started for the cow, not finding her nearby she traveled until she heard the cowbell and followed the sound until she found

the cow. Meanwhile darkness had fallen and she could not retrace her steps, the dense forest being filled with wild life common to that period, the only thing for her to do was to stay, so she climbed a tree and stayed there until morning when she was found by her husband.

At another time they missed the "bellweather" sheep. Listening and looking a little while Mrs. Jeffords heard the tinkle of the bell and upon going a short distance found a bear carrying the sheep by the wool or skin. She ran and grabbed the sheep and pulled in the opposite direction, finally pulling the sheep away from the bear and drove it home.

After noting the birth of Jacob, Sr. in Hopkinton, Mass., nothing is known about him until his appearance in Williamstown, Vt. It would appear from this distance that his parents went from eastern Mass. to the western part of the state and then to eastern New York. He came to Williamstown, Vt. about 1785, either from Williamstown, Mass., or some town in eastern New York as a young man with an axe on his shoulder and a small amount of money in his pocket. He was one of the earliest men in town and purchased land in the extreme southern line of lots in town near the Brookfield line. It is told that he was offered the land now owned by Finley MacKenzie, formerly called the Chester Martin farm, on the main highway through town for Fifty Dollars, but finally purchased two eighty-four acre lots over the hill for Twenty-five Dollars and began life in the wilderness. Here he built himself a cabin and later a frame house and barns.

When he wanted cash he worked for Judge Paine several miles away. He carried his grain to mill on his back to Northfield where the nearest mill was located. When he was married he had no furniture or dishes, knives, forks, or spoons except as he made them himself.

Jacob Jeffords, Sr., was one of the founders of the Universalist church in Williamstown, owning a pew in that church and paying largely for building a church. Not much is known about him except that he was very direct spoken and a large man physically, also a great lover of good horses. He came to have a good farm and was a respected citizen.

Hannah Jeffords was the mother of six children and died April 12, 1809, in the thirtieth year of her age.

Nov. 8, 1809, Jacob Jeffords married Betsey Marston who was also the mother of six children. She died Feb. 12, 1852, aged 51 years.

Mr. Jeffords married again Widow Susannah Coburn July 12, 1852. She survived him several years and died Feb. 12, 1861, aged 85 years.

Jacob Jeffords, Sr. died at his home on the 13th day of December, 1847, aged 82 years and he with his two wives, three small sons and his mother are buried in the East Hill Cemetery in Williamstown.

Children of Jacob and Hannah Jeffords:—

32. Sally, b. Mar. 4, 1792.
33. Sibbilla Haden, b. Sept. 28, 1794.
34. Hannah Bush, b. Nov. 7, 1797.
35. Polly Kendall, b. June 6, 1799.
36. Jacob, b. Dec. 21, 1801.
37. Elmira, b. July 2, 1804.

Children of Jacob and Betsey:—

38. John Marston, b. June 6, 1811, d. Dec. 23, 1820.
39. Moses Davis, b. Nov. 29, 1812, d. Dec. 25, 1820.
40. Liberty Fairbanks, b. Oct. 25, 1814, d. Sept. 12, 1817.
41. Elizabeth Warburton, b. April 6, 1816.
42. Lucy Harriet, b. Jan. 12, 1823.
43. Liberty Fairbanks, b. Nov. 14, 1824.

16. Darius Jeffords lived in Williamstown until about 1807 then disappeared from Vermont. There being no record of where he went we can surmise that he felt the urge to move to fairer fields as so many of the early settlers did do. It is thought that he went to western New York. During his residence in Williamstown he held several minor town offices such a hayward, fence-viewer and pound keeper.

He was a member of the Baptist Church as the following certificate shows:

Williamstown, Vt., January 30, 1790

This is to certify that Darius Jeffords belongs to the Baptist Society in Williamstown and Northfield.

Attest: Abner Wise, Moderator

A true record,

Attest: Cornelius Lynde, Town Clerk.

The Williamstown vital records have the following records:

Children of Darius and Lois Jeffords:

53. David, b. Oct. 16, 1795.

54. Isaac, b.

Darius was a member of Capt. Sam'l Clark's Co. in the Revolutionary War. Discharged Aug. 26, 1797.

Nathan Jeffords enlisted in the same company.

Isaac Jeffords married Polly Church and lived in Oswego, N. Y. and had a daughter named (55.) Juliette who married a widower named Crockett. There was another daughter who died at the age of four years.

Mrs. Crockett's father was drowned when Juliette was three years old and her mother married again when she was seven years of age.

Mrs. Crockett had no children of her own but had five step-children. She was a member of the Congregational Church and a beautiful spirited lady living to be ninety years of age. Fifty years lived in Angola, Ind.

Mrs. Crockett referred Elizabeth Jeffords to Harriett Egwuw of Kansas City for the Darius Jeffords family Bible.

We have only her word to verify the fact that Darius and John Dyer were the sons of Moses and Sibil Jeffords.

A letter from Putnam Jeffords, Edinboro, Erie County, Pa., says that his father's name was David Jeffords of Rochester, N. Y. David's two brothers, Oren and Col. Putnam Jeffords, say that David and Capt. Nathan were cousins and the families visited back and forth. We imply that this David was the son of Darius and Lois.

17. John Dyer Jeffords lived in Williamstown, Vt., for a time in the early days of the town and there is no record of his owning land here or of having a wife and family and little is known about him only that he left town and someone has said that he lived in Indiana and had a son named Willoughby Jeffords.

50. Edward K. Jeffords (b. 1800 Williamstown, Vt.) married Caroline, daughter of Senator Amos Robinson of Northfield, Vt. Edward K. Jeffords lived to Sept. 1890 when he died at the age of 90. His home was in Fulton, N. Y.

Children:

55. Moses Robinson, b. at Fulton, N. Y. Aug. 2, 1839.

56. Mary S., who married Noah Wood and lived at Brandt, Mich.

57. Carrie M., later Mrs. Sutherland, lived at Fulton, N. Y.

58. Cora Kate, married Mr. Jay Ware and lived at Fulton, N. Y.

45. Sally Jeffords (b. Feb. 15, 1794) married George Antrim at Williamstown, Vt. Feb. 11, 1820. We do not know anything further concerning her life.

48. Sophia Jeffords (b. Oct. 6, 1800) married Horatio Fullerton, b. in Putney, Vt. in 1799. He lived in Northfield, Williamstown, and Waitsfield, Vt. Worked for Judge Paine in early manhood.

Children:

Mary Ann, b. 1827.

Henry, b. 1829.

Caroline M., b. 1831.

George H., b. 1834.

James K., b. 1837.

Calvin F., b. 1842.

Charles F., b. 1839.

James Kendall Fullerton

James K. Fullerton was born in Berlin, Vt. Jan. 2, 1837, son of Horatio and Sophia Jeffords Fullerton, went with his parents to Waitsfield as a child and attended the schools there, taught school and entered the mercantile business. At age 24 moved to Waterbury and was for five years cashier of the Waterbury National Bank. In 1863 married Sophia Burnham of Brookfield, Vt. Was a merchant in the firm of Richardson and Fullerton for eighteen years. Elected town clerk of Waterbury Mar. 3, 1896 and held this office together with the office of town treasurer and justice of the peace until his death. Mr. Fullerton has been closely identified with town affairs and will be greatly missed.

He is survived by four children, J. Burnham Fullerton, a merchant in Willimantic, Conn.; Lena, wife of James Somerville; Henry H. Fullerton, a dentist and Dean S. Fullerton, assistant town clerk; also four grandchildren.

Mr. Fullerton passed away in 1916.

Caroline Fullerton married Ebenezer Ainsworth and lived in Minneapolis, Minn.

Orvilla Jeffords (b. Williamstown, Vt.) married a Mr. Mosher and lived to the age of 96 years. They lived at Newton Upper Falls, Mass. They had one son, D. Orson Mosher.

George and Mary Jane had no offspring.

32. Sally Jeffords, daughter of Jacob and Hannah Jeffords, married Dec. 17, 1810, John Adams, of Williamstown, Vt. (see Adams Family History). He was a farmer and an upright citizen. Spent their entire life in Williamstown. Sally died Oct. 24, 1861, age 69 years.

Children:—

Emily, b. Oct. 10, 1811, d. Feb. 3, 1814, age 2 years, 4 months.

Hannah, b. Sept. 11, 1813 — m. Apr. 16, 1833 Cromwell Benedict — d. Malone, N. Y. where they settled.

Emily, b. Sept. 23, 1815 — d. 1844.

John, b. Feb. 15, 1818 — d. Oct. 6, 1880.

Sarah, b. Mar. 1, 1820 — d. Aug. 5, 1888 — never married.

Fidelia, b. June 6, 1822 — d. Oct. 5, 1843.

Aurelia, b. Feb. 18, 1825 — m. May 20, 1843 Bingham Seaver of Burlington, Vt. Lived in Burlington.

Luther Jeffords, b. 1827 — m. Apr. 7, Josephine Smith, Burlington, Vt. d. 1918, aged 92 years.

Charles, b. May 6, 1829 — m. Harriet Snow, Williamstown, Vt. May 13, 1852 — d. Aug. 1888.

James H., b. July 14, 1836 — m. Mary F. Boots of Washington, Cal., Res. Cottonwood, Cal.

James H., b. 1832 — d. Sept. 11, 1834.

Sarah Adams lived with her brother, John, after the death of his first wife, Anna Howe Adams, and helped care for his four boys. And after his second marriage especially cared for the youngest son, Carlos L. Her mother lived with her during her late years, until death.

33. Sibbilla H. Jeffords (b. 28th Sept. 1794 — d. Feb. 15 1859, age 64 years), married George Merrill of Berlin, Vt., Dec. 1814 at Williamstown, Vt. They lived in Canada and later in Pennsylvania where Mr. Merrill died and she came back to Williamstown. Later married Noble Smalley.

Children of Sibbilla and George Merrill:

Celenda, b. 1815 — d. Oct. 21, 1849, age 34 years.

Julia, b. 1821.

Luther Hatch Jeffords, b. 1824.

Children of Noble and Sibbilla Smalley:

Matilda, b. Jan. 31, 1831 — d. June 10, 1845 — age 14 years 5 months.

34. Hannah B. Jeffords (b. Nov. 7, 1797 — d. Oct. 16, 1876, 78 years, 11 months, 8 days) married Daniel Bean of Brookfield, Vt., son of Rev. Peter Bean, Sr. on Nov. 6, 1817. Daniel died April 22, 1862, age 67 years. They lived in the neighborhood called South Hill in Williamstown, Vt., near the schoolhouse.

Children:

Sophia F., b. April 17, 1818.

Daniel, b. 1840.

35. Polly K. Jeffords (b. June 6, 1799 — d. 1882) married Peter Bean, Jr., of Brookfield, Vt., brother of Daniel Bean, Dec.

31, 1820. Mr. Bean died in 1887. They lived for many years in Northfield, Vt. where they are buried. Mr. and Mrs. Bean lived to celebrate their sixtieth wedding anniversary.

Children:

Hannah R., b. Oct. 31, 1823.

Harrison, b. Oct. 5, 1825.

Merrill F., b.

Ira, b. 1834 — d. Feb. 20, 1837.

Abby, b. 1835 — d. 1919 — m. Rufus Farr, Northfield, Vt.

Alma, b. July 17, 1837 — d. 1929.

Vinal A., b. 1839.

36. Jacob Jeffords, Jr. (b. Dec. 21, 1801 — d. March 15, 1858, age 56 years) married Dec. 1, 1825, Chastina Burroughs, daughter of Timothy and Clarissa (Franklin) Burroughs of Brookfield, Vt. Chastina B. Jeffords died at Williamstown Dec. 11, 1885, ae. 78 years.

Jacob Jeffords, Jr., lived on the farm with his father and after the death of his father he purchased the farm and continued to improve the land and buildings until his (as it seems to us) untimely death. He was a very industrious and hard working man and acquired a good property, both real and personal which he owned free from debt. Having raised a large family of children. Through an accident his barn burned and he was obliged to build again.

Mr. Jeffords was a devout Christian, being a member of the Methodist church, a classleader in the church, also a singer in the choir. His family always attended church services all day every Sunday. The older boys walked to meeting and the remainder of the family going in a two-horse sled or wagon. He was a very genial, fun-loving man and always joined in the games and sports of the young people at their parties or good times.

Physically, Mr. Jeffords was a splendid specimen of a man, being good height and of noble proportions. Is said to have been good looking, and by some called handsome.

He was a great lover of music and a good singer. Their home was a famous place to have a good time for the young people of

their acquaintance. Mr. Jefford's early death was almost a calamity to his younger boys when they most needed their father.

Children of Jacob and Chastina Jeffords, all born in Williamstown, Vt.:—

59. Mary Anne, b. 1826.
60. Moses H., b. 1828 — d. Aug. 14, 1846, age 18 years.
61. Jason Hatch, b. May 12, 1830 — d. May, 1909.
62. Harrison, b. 1832 — d. Nov. 13, 1884, age 52 years.
63. Julia Ann, b. 1834 — d. Oct. 9, 1836, age 2 years.
64. George W., b. Aug. 16, 1839.
65. Julia Ann, b. May 5, 1837.
66. Jacob, b. Feb. 21, 1842.
67. David B., b. Mar. 31, 1844.
68. Chastina, b. Feb. 13, 1849 — d. Oct. 1850, ae. 1 yr. 8 mo.
69. Infant, b. Feb. 13, 1849 — d. Mar. 13, 1849, age 1 mo.
70. Moses Haden, b. Nov. 1849 — d. July 12, 1859, ae. 9 yr. 9 mo.

Account of the deeds and agreements when Jacob Jeffords, Sr. sold out to Jacob Jeffords, Jr.

In 1826 Jacob Jeffords, Jr. purchased the farm of his father and the stock and farming tools were half given to him upon certain conditions. Such parts or the agreements as would be of interest to others has been copied, although not always verbatim.

Upon the payment of a certain sum of money Jacob, Jr. received a deed of the farm of 200 acres or more and the buildings, except the dwelling house then occupied by said Jacob and the piece of land between the house and barn which said Jacob does now and has heretofore occupied as a garden, for and during the natural life of said Jacob.

Jacob Jr. by the conditions of the contract agreed to continue to assist the said Joseph to carry on said farm and from the avails of said farm, or in case the avails therefrom be insufficient, from other property, to support said Jacob & his wife and such of his children as are now a part of his family with all necessities suitable to their state and condition in life, whether in sickness or

in health. And in case of the death of said Jacob, Jacob Jr. and Betsey Jeffords are to pay Elizabeth W. and Lucy H. Jeffords each the sum of one hundred dollars.

Jacobs Jeffords, Jr. obtained a deed giving him an undivided half of the horses, cattle, sheep, hogs and all kinds of live stock of whatever name of nature on said farm and an undivided half of all farming tools and utensils on said farm, on condition that the said Jacob, Jr. pay the said Jacob a yearly rental of one half the produce of the farm. It was further agreed that whatever utensils shall be purchased for said farm shall be joint property and shall be purchased by the said parties jointly. When any of the stock or produce on said farm not before divided or any of the joint property aforesaid shall be sold by either of the parties aforesaid, the avails of the sale or transfer shall be joint property and said Jacob Jr. agrees that the tools shall be kept in repair and the expense for repairing same shall be paid for from joint stock. Jacob Jr. on his part covenants and agrees to pay yearly and every year one half of the produce on said farm. The grain which is not given to the stock on said farm for the joint interest of said parties aforesaid shall be divided in the half bushel, also the pulse, potatoes, and roots raised on said farm shall be divided in the half bushel in the same manner as the grain. And the wool shall be divided by the fleece, the flax by weight and the milk in the pail, the cider in the barrel and each of said parties to provide their barrels and each to pay for the use of the cider mill to make his own cider, but the said Jacob Jr. is to perform the labor of making the cider. It was further agreed that hay or other produce not named above shall be joint property and if sold the avails shall be joint property. And also that the expense for salt for any of the stock, also the expense for shoeing the horses and oxen shall be paid for out of joint property, also repairs on the buildings. The sugar made on the farm was to be divided by weight. Said Jacob Jr. agrees to carry on and cultivate said farm in a husband-like manner, keep fences in repair, commit no act of waste on the premises, nor cut or carry away wood except for fire-wood, fencing, timber to keep buildings in repair and Jacob Sr. has full liberty to cut fire-wood for himself and his family and occupy and use the dwelling and garden aforesaid during the term aforesaid."

37. Elmira Jeffords (b. July 2, 1804 — d. 1900 at Grinnall, Iowa) married Mar. 24, 1824 Alvah Henry of Brookfield, Vt. They lived on a farm in Northfield, Vt. and after he was recovering

from a sickness the neighbors made a bee to help him get up a wood pile and he was accidentally killed by a falling tree in 1831 or 32. They had two children who died in childhood.

Mrs. Henry later married Hiram Fiske of Williamstown, Vt., and they lived for several years near the South Hill school house in Williamstown. Here their three children were born and they later moved to Illinois in 1856 and to Grinnell, Iowa, in 1868.

It was her father's custom to gather his children around him and read from the Bible. This custom she followed in her own home. She was a very strong, energetic, industrious and also very intelligent woman. In time of want or need her help was always ready.

Children:

Hiram, b.

A. H., b.

Mary, b.

Alvah Henry, d. June 20, 1831.

Nancy Henry, d. May 31, 1832.

Frances Henry, d. July 7, 1841.

41. Elizabeth W. Jeffords (b. April 6, 1816) married Mar. 22, 1838, Henry L. Hatch (son of James and Betsey (Lewis) Hatch of Williamstown, Vt.) b. Oct. 26, 1812.

They lived for a time in Williamstown and later he went to Illinois where he founded an academy, later going on to California. Mrs. Hatch followed with her two children, having some terrible experiences on the journey, one time nearly getting drowned. Mrs. Hatch never came to Vermont again.

Henry L. Hatch was born in Williamstown, Vt. Oct. 26, 1812, the eldest son of James and Betsey Lewis Hatch, m. Elizabeth Warburton Jeffords, dau. of Jacob and Betsey Marston Jeffords, b. April 16, 1816, March 22, 1838. They lived in Williamstown until 1844 when they moved to Littleport, Ill., and later to Waukegan, Ill., and in 1850 to California. He taught school and taught music for twenty years. Later kept a hotel and farmed. Was interested in raising livestock and in 1873 owned a large vineyard and made wine and raisins. Postmaster 1858-1868; a member of the California Legislature and Senate 1865-1866; Justice of the Peace 1876-1878.

In 1889 moved to Lemoore, California and lived there until his death, October 6, 1892. Mrs. Hatch died July 13, 1908.

“He was a man of more than ordinary worth, a manly man in every sense of the word. No one ever looked into his kindly face or ever heard his earnest voice but remembered him and was impressed with his splendid nature and manly bearing. He was endowed with more than ordinary force of mind and intellect and had the love and respect of all who knew him.”

The above is taken from the Hatch Genealogy — Part Six — pages 550-5.

Children:

James Henry, b. Williamstown, Vt., 1839.

Martin Paine, b. Williamstown, Vt., 1841.

Marvin Deane, b. Williamstown, Vt., 1841.

Lucy Elizabeth, b. Williamstown, Vt., 1845 — m. Abram Driesbach. Children: Kate, Carrie and Lewis P.

43. Liberty Fairbanks deLayfayette Jeffords (b. Nov. 14, 1824 — d. Dec. 26, 1906) married Feb. 27, 1848, Dorcas Martin, dau. of Samuel and Hannah (Russell) Martin, b. Williamstown, Vt. Dec. 29, 1826. In early life they lived on a farm on the east side of the town later living in Williamstown Village where they died, after having observed their golden wedding anniversary.

Children:

George, b. Feb. 24, 1852 — d. Mar. 8, 1852, ae. 12 da.

Martha, b. Feb. 7, 1849 — d. Dec. 3, 1911.

Dorcas, d. May 11, 1902.

Martha Ellen Jeffords, married Mar. 26, 1867 George C. Earle, son of Cady and Eunice Booth Earle of East Randolph, Vt. Mr. Earle worked with his father in the tannery on So. Main St., next to the Poole bridge for a number of years; later he was in the tannery business for himself on the Berlin-Northfield road opposite the Judge Lynde house. After a few years he had a harness and repair shop in Barre, Vt., and later returned to Williamstown, Vt. to the house his father built and formerly owned opposite the village schoolhouse and kept boarders and did harness repairing.

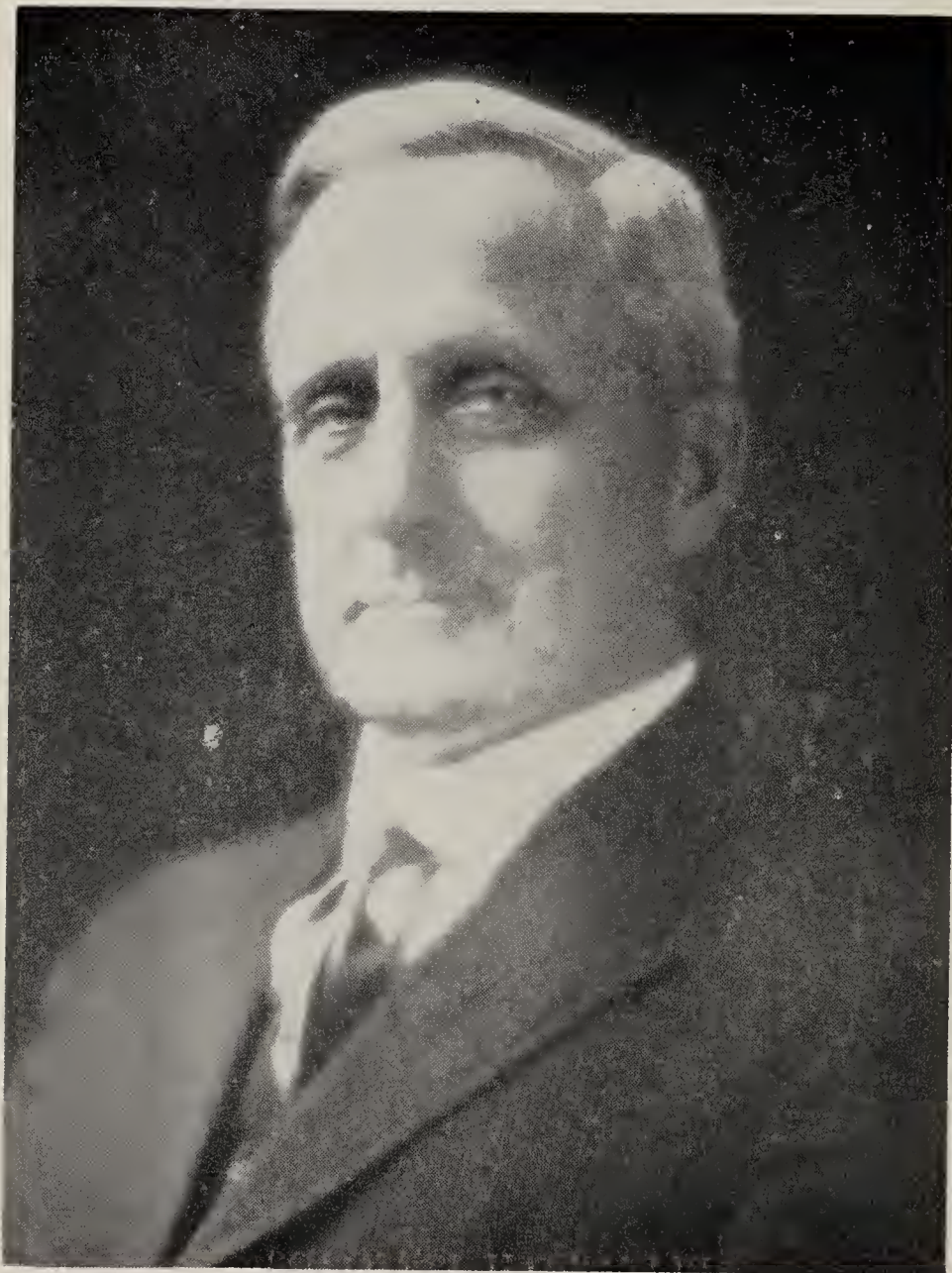
They had one child — Lucy H. Earle, b. Feb. 20, 1868 — m. H. Augustus Holt.

From the Newspaper Account of Jeffords Reunion

"The 'Jeffords' clan could hardly have hoped for a more favorable day for their centennial than last Thursday. The spot selected for the occasion was a grove in the pasture on the old farm, quite a little distance east from where the buildings now stand, but not far from where their ancestor, Jacob Jeffords, Senior, built his first house of logs, to which he took his young bride in May, 1791. Nearly eighty persons, embracing four generations of the descendants of Mr. Jeffords, with a few old neighbors and friends outside, assembled in this grove for a day of (we speak for ourself alone) 'rare pleasure unto edification.' As would be expected at such a time, 'the shadow in the dial was brought backward' many, many years. Among the facts in Mr. Jeffords' life that we have gathered are these: He was born in 1765. Of his history previous to coming to this town little is known here. He came from Williamstown, Mass., says one; another thinks Connecticut was his native state. He came on foot, reaching the place without a dollar in his pocket. He and two brothers were among the first settlers in town. One of these brothers was one of the seventy-five grantees of the township. When about to locate on a farm Mr. Jeffords was offered the present General E. Bass and Chester Martin farms for \$50.00 and the farm which he finally took for \$25.00. It consisted of two lots which proved to contain many more acres than they were supposed to. He reasoned that the first mentioned farms might eventually be worth more than the one he took; but they were then swamps, and when cleared would be wet lands that would not yield him a living as soon as the hill farm. His marriage service, which was performed by Justice Cornelius Lynde, was the first to occur in town. On horseback Mr. and Mrs. Jeffords went to their new home. Mrs. Jeffords' wardrobe consisted of what she had on at the time and what could be carried in a handkerchief on the "horn" of the saddle. They began life without a chair, table or bedstead. Their 'crockery' and knives and forks were of wood. The spot where the house stood is marked by the ruins of the old stone fireplace and the foundation wall. We were told of how Mr. Jeffords went on foot to the Judge Paine neighborhood, then the 'hub' of the town, for wheat to sow, which he brought home on his back. On his way he passed the falls at the entrance of the Gulf, which were alive with trout that would enthuse an old angler to hear of. Another story brought out was this: Mr. Jeffords was confined to his house by sickness. His daughter, the late Mrs.



HON. TRACY L. JEFFORDS



REV. CARLOS L. ADAMS

Born in Williamstown, son of John and Anna Howe Adams.
Spent his life as a preacher in cities in Michigan.

John Adams, Senior, was a child in the cradle. On Mrs. Jeffords it devolved to go after the cows at night. Following the sound of the bell, she went till she found them. On seeing her the cows ran and she followed. On and on they went, till they came to a clearing, when Mrs. Jeffords found herself in Brookfield or Chelsea. It was too late to return that night, but the next day she was found by the family where she had to pass the night with a horse and her cows were driven home for her. With bears in plenty all about them, it can be faintly imagined what a night Mr. Jeffords passed. He was living with his third wife at the time of his death. He was the father of a large family of children. At the present time three daughters are living — one in California; one in Nebraska, and one in Illinois. Mr. Jeffords was one of the founders of the Universalist Society in this place, in which faith he lived and died. His death occurred in December, 1847, in his eighty-third year. On this centennial occasion it devolved upon Tracy L. Jeffords, a great grand-son to bring forth what of history in the life of his ancestor was to be had. His reminiscences and remarks were listened to with pleasure. They must have especially touched the hearts of his kindred, for whom they were more particularly designed. Daniel Royce, who has for some years occupied the Jeffords farm, followed with very kind words, in which he recognized the labor previously done on the farm. Mr. Royce's kindness in helping in the whole affair is warmly appreciated and deserves commendation. A basket dinner, music and much chitchat over old times made the day pleasant indeed. We believe most emphatically in such family celebrations. There ought to be more to follow this one in this town. In fact, we ought to have a town centennial. We know far too little of its early life and what has been done and borne for us of this day by the pioneers of the place."

(Written by George Ainsworth for the Vermont Watchman.)
Probable 1876.

61. Jason Hatch Jeffords (b. May 12, 1830 — d. May 25, 1909) married January 17, 1856 Alcina Lillie Martin, b. June 14, 1835, Williamstown, Vt., d. June, 1911, Barre, Vt., dau. of Russell and Lucina Lillie Martin of Williamstown, Vt. — see Martin Genealogy — A. M. Smith.

The first years of their married life were spent in Manlius, Wyandot County, Illinois. Their two oldest children were born

there. Shortly after coming back in Vermont — in 1860 — they purchased the farm where they continued to live until Mr. Jeffords' death in 1909.

Mr. Jeffords was a man of large ideas and plans and added two adjoining farms to his home farm having finally upwards of 250 acres of land and one of the finest smooth fields in Williamstown. He continued to improve his farm until it became a profitable and large producing farm. The two large barns are monuments to his own and his boys hard work and thrift. He was a great lover of good horses, having raised and sold for fancy prices no less than six or seven matched spans and a great many other horses.

Mr. Jeffords was always a progressive and an upright and respected citizen, was a Republican in politics, a member of the Methodist church, a charter member of Williamstown Grange and a Free Mason.

Their home was always open for their children, grandchildren, brothers, sisters, and friends; no pains being spared to give them a good time.

They were very social people and enjoyed visiting and being visited by their acquaintances. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in Jan. 17, 1906 by keeping open house during the day and evening. Their buildings were the first farm buildings in town to be lighted by electricity.

From a Vermont Watchman — May 20, 1909 George Ainsworth Correspondence.

“A recent morning walk of two miles took us to the home of Jason H. Jeffords and son Russell M. Jeffords. It was good to find Mrs. Jason Jeffords as well as she seemed at that time after the shock, and consequent ill health of a year or two ago, though she has not yet recovered all of the old time vigor.

“We have never known of a farm that has been sold upon our own judgment of it, but if this father and son haven't a 'Daisey' of a place in their large farm of some 260 or more acres, we think, then we are misled by our eyes. Such large and apparently well cultivated fields tell of brain and brawn. And then the mountain views from the farm are fine indeed. It doesn't seem that these farmers need any of President Roosevelt's pity.”

Children of J. H. and Alcina Jeffords.

- 71. Tracy Lillie, b. Sept. 9, 1857 — d. Dec. 31, 1949.
- 72. Russell Martin, b. Aug. 30, 1859 — d. May, 1936.
- 73. Moses Haden, b. March 7, 1862 — d. Oct. 16, 1865.
- 74. Haden Moses, b. April 29, 1865 — d. Oct. 17, 1931.
- 75. Frank, b. March 19, 1868 — d. Nov. 2, 1934.
- 76. Samuel D., b. Feb. 9, 1870 — d. 1876.
- 78. Mary Ann, b. June 6, 1875 — d. June, 1958.

55. Moses Robinson Jeffords married Elizabeth Wright June 15, 1859. She died in Dec., 1878. Mr. Jeffords was a very prominent engineer (civil) and lived in New York City and was connected with many large engineering enterprises. Helped to build the first railroad in China.

Col. Moses Jeffords deserves more space here than I am able to give him but I have no way of finding a resume of his life.

Children:

- 79. Edward R., b. July 25, 1862.
- 80. Charles H., b. Dec. 1, 1864.

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Edward R. married Irma Tucker of Santa Maria, Texas, and lives at Hidalgo, Texas. They have four sons: Harold, Clarence, Ray and Lucius.

Chas. H. had not married in 1906. Lived at Philadelphia, Pa., with offices at 430 Walnut St. and 88 Bishops Gate, London, England.

59. Mary Ann Jeffords (b. 1826 — d. 1865) married Lyman Works of Williamstown, Vt., b. 1822 — d. 1899.

Lyman Works was a large man physically and owned a farm for some years. In the memory of the compiler he had a wheelwright shop located on the Northfield street in Williamstown Village and lived in the house now (1959) occupied by L. O. Morgan.

Children:

- Sarah Chastina, b. 1851 — d. 1920.
- Julia, b. 1855 — d. 1936.
- Hattie, b. 1858 — d. 1940.
- Alma, b. 1861 — d. 1923.
- Elizabeth Ann, b. 1863 — d. 1932.

62. Harrison Jeffords married Annette Upson and they had one son. Lived in South Dakota until his health failed and he came to Williamstown and died in 1884. Aged 52 years.

64. Geo. W. Jeffords (b. Aug. 16, 1848 — d. Aug. 24, 1907 at Williamstown, aged 68 years) married Emma Wason who died Feb. 26, 1876, ae. 36 yrs.

He spent much of his life working in hotels, having at one time been proprietor of the Gulf House and later of the Barre Hotel.

One son:

81. George, b. 1873 — d. Dec. 14, 1875, ae. 2 yrs. 5 mo. 2 da.

66. Jacob Jeffords 3rd (b. Feb. 21, 1842 — d. at Laconia, N. H., Jan. 14, 1898) married Lucy Simons, Jan. 1, 1868, dau. of Dana and Dolly (Gale) Simons of Williamstown. They lived for a time in Bradford, Vt., later in Laconia, N. H., where he was in business.

Children:

82. Dana Jacob, b. July 12, 1869 — d. April 10, 1887.

83. Bernard Antenrith, b. Nov. 29, 1878 — d. Mar. 5, 1895.

84. Lucy Sylvia Belle, b. July 17, 1891 — married June 18, 1910 John R. Taylor at Laconia, N. H.

67. David B. Jeffords. Married Della Fairbrother of Lowell, Mass. They lived for several years on the farm next south of the Gulf, later moving to Barre City.

Children:

85. Harry, b. Jan. 26, 1878 — Lowell, Mass.

86. Nellie, b. July 2, 1884 — Barre, Vt.

87. Cherry, b. Aug. 5, 1889.

85. Harry Jeffords was a carpenter and painter in Barre City and vicinity. He never married and died at Barre, Vt. 1934.

86. Nellie B. Jeffords married William Wright, who died in Barre, 1941. Mr. Wright was a granite worker and they had four sons, all born in Barre, Vt.: Dalton, Francis, Elden and Reginald. After the death of her first husband, Nellie married Clarence Kenyon in 1944 and they made their home in Middlesex, Vt. She

was a member of the Middlesex Methodist Church and the Moretown Grange. Her death occurred Sunday, March 13, 1960.

87. Cherrie Jeffords married Michael Buzzi of Barre, Vt. 1910 where they lived all their married life. Mr. Buzzi passed away in 1932 and Mrs. Buzzi Aug. 10, 1937.

Two children:

Michael, b. Barre, Vt.

Margaret Alice, b. Barre, Vt. 1921 — d. Barre, Vt. 1921.

65. Julia Ann Jeffords, b. May 5, 1837 — d. Nov. 1925, married June 27, 1861 at Williamstown, Vt. Darwin F. Goodrich, b. in Brookfield, Vt. Mar. 29, 1834 — son of Joseph and Sarah Glidden Goodrich. D. F. Goodrich d. June 1, 1904. Mr. Goodrich worked for a period of years in California. Eventually he purchased the farm where he continued to reside until his death and since occupied by his son. They had one son: George Harrison, b. Mar. 24, 1874 — d. Jan. 24, 1938.

John Adams, b. Feb. 15, 1818, a farmer, married Dec, 1846, Anna Howe of Williamstown, Vt., dau. of Enoch and Polly Howe. b. July 6, 1825 — d. Sept. 23, 1856, ae. 31 yrs. They resided in Williamstown where he was a member of the M. E. Church. Was steward of the church 20 years, chorister 14 years, S. S. supt. and recording steward. Mar. 2nd time June 17, 1860 Mary Webber of Glover, Vt. He died in Williamstown, Oct. 6, 1880, ae. 52 yrs. Had 8 children all born in Williamstown.

John Howe Adams, b. May 29, 1851 — d. 1941 — mar. in Etna, California, Siskiyou County, Nov. 28, 1883, Angie Atta, b. in Belvidere, Boone County, Illinois, Mar. 24, 1862, dau. of Orson V. and Abby Ann (Jones) Green, of Etna. He graduated from V. M. S. Montpelier, Vt. and from a business college. Was an employee in a door, sash and blind factory in Shingleton, Shasta County, California 1875; bookkeeper and collector for a loan and discount broker in San Francisco, Cal. in 1877; salesman in general merchandise business in Etna 1880; is now a commercial traveller; was deputy assessor in Siskiyou County, 1895; has one child: Atta May, b. Etna, July 7, 1885.

Geo. Enoch Adams, b. Aug. 13, 1853 — d. 1930; graduated from V. M. S., Montpelier, 1878; is a druggist and prominent citizen of Fair Haven, Vt. Never married.

Wilber Fiske Adams, b. July 3, 1854; studied at V. M. S., Montpelier; was a grocer, resided at Puyallup, Washington, died 1942.

Carlos Lemuel Adams, b. July 14, 1856 — d. 1941 — married in Springfield, Vt., Oct. 5, 1887 Emma Louise, b. in Evanston, Ill., Jan. 9, 1859, dau. of Rev. Alanson L. and Lucinda Atkin Cooper, D.D., of Newport, Vt.

He was raised on his father's farm and educated himself; graduated from V. M. S., Montpelier, 1880; from Dartmouth College in 1884; and from the Theological Dept., Boston University, 1887. The three-year course of study preparatory for college was begun in his twenty-first year, during which time he boarded himself jointly with his two brothers — the cost per week, each for board, room rent, fuel, and light being 87¢.

For two years after entering college he chored for his board and walked two miles daily to college and back; worked summers on a farm; taught singing schools; preached a year; and during the four years at college earned \$900; nearly enough to cover his expenses. Much of the time when in the Theological School he preached; was a member of the Adelphe Society in the fitting school and editor of paper published by the students. He took the Latin and Oratorical prize, 1889, was member of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, contested for the Rollins and Morse prize in Oratory, June, 1881, was an athlete contestant, and did special work in Greek and Math and at graduation was one of the Commencement speakers. He was received on probation in the Methodist Church on July 29, 1870; became a member June 20, 1872; was licensed to preach, April 11, 1882 and preached his first sermon June 25, 1882. He joined the Vermont Conference on trial, May 2, 1885; was ordained deacon May 2, 1886; was transferred to the Detroit Conference and received in full connection, Sept. 16, 1888. He has served the following charges: West Branch, Mich., Holly, Flushing, Chelsea, Adrain, Detroit, Calumet.

Has been Financial Secretary of the Detroit Conference since Sept. 1894; has two children: Merrill Cooper Adams, b. West Branch, Aug. 9, 1888; Gwendolene Howe Adams, b. Holly, March 15, 1891.

Mary Adams, b. 1864 — d. 1916 — married Albert D. Reed

of Brookfield, Vt., b. 1862 — d. 1956. They lived on the farm just east from the branch road and a little ways south of the Gulf in East Brookfield. Mrs. Reed was a member of the M. E. Church and a great worker in the church in East Brookfield. They have three children: Carl Adams Reed, b. 1890; Ruby, b. Jan. 29, 1894; Leland, b. April 5, 1904.

Emma Adams, b. 1867 — d. 1945. Was educated at the Randolph Normal School at Randolph, Vt., and for many years was a successful teacher in the public schools, both rural and graded, of Williamstown and vicinity. She was a member of the M. E. church and Supt. of the Sunday School for several years. Was long a Sunday School teacher; had travelled quite extensively and a very well read and well informed person.

Charles Adams, b. May 6, 1829 — d. Aug. 22, 1888, married Mar. 15, 1852, Harriet Snow, b. Mar. 14, 1832 — d. Mar. 29, 1904. They lived on the Adams homestead where he was a prosperous farmer, was a member of the M. E. Church, and a constant attendant and supporter of the same.

Children:

James T., b. May 24, 1860.

Henry W., b. June 8, 1853 — m. July 4, 1880 — Clara J. Miner.

Albert C., b. Aug. 28, 1855.

Charles Edward, b. July 2, 1857.

Frank E., b. Oct. 12, 1867.

Alma Fidelia, b. Feb. 3, 1864.

Aurelia Adams married Bingham A. Seaver, son of Cyrus and Seaver of Williamstown, Vt. They lived in Burlington, Vt. Children: Ella.

Luther Jeffords Adams, m. Apr. 7, 1851, Josephine M. Smith of Burlington, Vt. He was a mechanic and wood turner. He was an inventor and was the holder of several patents. A native of Williamstown, Vt., a lifelong member of the Methodist Church and in early life studied with a view to the ministry. Lived to the advanced age of ninety-two years and died at the home of his son, Ralph, in Stoughton, Mass.

Julia Frances, b. Burlington, Vt., June 27, 1852 — m. June 10, 1879 Henry J. Wright of Templeton, Mass.

Flora Elissa, b. Fletcher, Vt., Sept. 29, 1853 — m. Sept. 19, 1878 Edwin G. Bruce of Bennington, Vt.

Evalina Violette, b. Morrisville, Vt., Feb. 1, 1858 — d. June 6, 1881.

Rev. Luther Wm. Adams, b. Morrisville, Vt., Feb. 1, 1858 — m. June 29, 1886 Emily Josephine Stetson, dau. of Wm. F. and Susan E. (Gibbs) Stetson, b. Boston, Mass., Sept. 18, 1857. He was graduated at Boston University in 1887; ordained April 12, 1891 at Lynn, Mass., in the Methodist E. Church.

Carl Jas., b. Cleveland, Ohio, Nov. 20, 1859 — m. Nov. 25, 1884, Anna Lucy Hunt of Melrose, Mass. — d. 1888.

Effie Lena, b. Alexander, N. Y., June 20, 1864 — d. 1866.

Edward Lincoln, b. Hoosick, N. Y., June 14, 1866 — d. Oct. 1867.

Edwin DeWitt, b. Hoosick Falls, N. Y., Aug. 13, 1868 — m. Aug. 3, 1892 Eulalie E. Chapman of Shirley, Mass.

Clarence Bert, b. Hampton, N. Y., Dec. 16, 1870 — m. Dec. 24, 1893 Fannie P. Rice of Danvers, Mass. — Res. Bedford, Mass.

Flossie May, b. Ashburnham, Mass., May 25, 1879 — d. May 1, 1889.

Ralph Leslie Jay, b. Feb. 26, 1881, Leominster, Mass. Res. Stoughton, Mass.

Children of Charles and Harriet Snow Adams, all born in Williamstown, Vt.

Henry W., b. June 8, 1853 — m. July 4, 1880 Clara J. Miner. Is a painter and res. Kankakee, Ill.

Albert C., b. Aug. 28, 1855 — m. May 8, 1883, Susie Woodward. Is granite polisher, res. Barre, Vt. One son, Archie Adams.

Charles Edward, b. July 2, 1857 — m. May 24, 1885, Ada Warner. Farmer on old Adams homestead, Williamstown, Vt.

Alma Fidelia, b. Feb. 3, 1864 — married Jan. 2, 1887 Frank B. Boyce, b. 1859, Moretown, Vt. They continued to reside in Williamstown and lived for years on the Brookfield Road on the place known as the Elder Field farm. Mr. Boyce died in 1918 and Mrs. Boyce in 1943. Mrs. Boyce was gifted musically and was the

organist in the Methodist church for a long period. They were the parents of two children:

Sadie Alma, b. Sept. 8, 1890 — married June 21, 1922 George Laird, 1873 of Cabot, Vt. Sadie was a graduate of Williamstown High School and Montpelier Seminary and a very successful teacher for several years in the public schools. The last years of her teaching were in the Spaulding graded school in Barre, Vt. Married life spent in Cabot where she served as librarian in the Cabot library.

Earl A., b. Nov. 1, 1898 — married Aug. 12, 1922 Mildred Farr, b. Moretown, Vt., 1885. Mildred was a graduate of Montpelier Seminary and taught school in various towns in Vermont before her marriage. Earl graduated from Spaulding High School and is a substantial and respected citizen of the town. Has been the Moderator in town meeting for several years and is a Justice of the Peace. They live where his parents formerly lived.

They have two children:

Miriam E., b. June 30, 1923.

Robert E., b. Nov. 20, 1924.

Miriam mar. May 24, 1946 Wesley Herwig of New Britain, Conn., and they reside in Randolph Center, Vt., where Mr. Herwig is a cow tester and has other avocations. Miriam is a graduate of Montpelier Seminary, also Williamstown High school.

Five children: Merrilee, Trudy, Daphne, Christy, and Holly.

Robert E. Boyce, m. Lorraine Bouchard of Burlington, Vt. Robert graduated from Williamstown High School and is an electrician presently working in Burlington, Vt.

One son: Anthony.

Children of James H. and Mary (Boots) Adams, b. in Cottonwood, Cal.

Mary Edna, b. Mar. 27, 1865.

Sarah Elma, b. Mar. 26, 1870.

Eliza Mabel, b. Nov. 3, 1875.

Mattie Florence, b. Jan. 10, 1881.

John Wesley, b. Nov. 4, 1884.

Sophia F. Bean, b. April 22, 1818 — d. May 2, 1887 — married in 1837 Caleb Hackett Scribner, b. Corinth, Vt., Apr. 12, 1815 — d. May 5, 1887. Son of Samuel and Catharine Scribner. He lived for a time in Washington and afterward lived in Corinth, Vt. After 1854 resided in Chelsea, for fifteen years on a farm and since 1869 resided in Chelsea village. Here he owned the grist-mill for four years and was a large owner of real estate. Possessing a giant frame and muscles of a Hercules, he was the hero of many tales of wrestling and other feats of strength. He was equally warm in sympathy and kind in heart. Avoiding rather than seeking office he was still called to fill places of trust. His death and that of his wife occurred only three days apart, she dying of paralysis May 2, and he of pneumonia May 5, 1887.

Children:

Hannah Alma, b. April 7, 1841 — d. April 30, 1855.

Eunice A., b. Nov. 30, 1845.

Eunice A. Scribner, married at Williamstown, Vt. Benjamin H. Adams, b. 1843 — d. 1909 at Chelsea, Vt. He was a resident of Chelsea where he was a respected and honored citizen. Was a soldier in the Civil War, and was blind for twenty-three years.

Children:

Benjamin H. Adams, Jr., b. June 21, 1864.

Alma Frances, b. Mar. 7, 1871.

Julia O. E., b. Feb. 22, 1873 — d. Dec. 28, 1910.

Toty, b. June 1, 1885 — d. Aug. 2, 1885.

Benjamin H. Adams, Jr., married Cora Ackerman and resides in Chelsea, Vt. Has held the office of High Sheriff of Orange County, nearly all the important town offices, representative in the state legislature of 1912; is now associate judge for Orange County.

Children:

Benjamin Hackett, b. Oct. 2, 1893 — d. May 5, 1906.

William H., b. May 9, 1899. He is a graduate of Chelsea High School and Goddard Seminary and a graduate of Norwich University. Attorney for Vermont Marble Co., Proctor, Vt. — m. Edna Dashner; 2 dau.

Alma F. Adams married Evarts Brown and lives at Cornish Flats, N. H. Has one child: Ralph Adams Brown, b. June 13, 1908.

Julia O. E. Adams married Frank Bixby of Chellsea, Vt., where he is engaged in business. They have one son, Gerald A. Bixby, b. June 26, 1897. He is a graduate of Chelsea High School and of Norwich University 1918.

Daniel Bean, Jr., b. 1840 — d. Mar. 5, 1906, ae. 66 yrs. Married Martha J. Bates Jan. 4, 1864, of Barre, Vt., b. 1838 — d. Apr. 5, 1883, ae. 55 yrs. He was an accomplished and talented musician and could play almost any instrument with great skill, his services being in great demand for many years. They resided in Williamstown the greater part of his life. Had one adopted son: Frank D. Bean, d. Oct. 20, 1895, ae. 17 yrs.

Julia Merrill, b. 1821 — d. Feb. 5, 1857, ae. 36 yrs., married Mar. 1, 1846 Warren Poole, Jr., b. Jan. 3, 1802 — d. Nov. 1887, ae. 85 yrs.; son of Warren, Sr. and Polly Poole of Williamstown, Vt. They lived on the farm at the south end of the village now known as the "Poole" place. Had two boys: Henry Poole and George Poole. Henry Poole married Aura Simons, dau. of Martin and Czarina (Carleton) Simons of Williamstown and they have lived at the house just by the corner by the Brookfield road. He is a carpenter by trade and a very prominent Mason.

Luther H. J. Merrill, b. Dec. 1824 — d. Sept. 17, 1913, ae. 89 yrs. 9 mos., married March 2, 1848 Fanny S. Lewis, b. 1828 — d. Dec. 7, 1913, ae. 84 yrs. 11 mo., dau. of Rev. Moses and Satira Lewis of Williamstown, Vt. They lived for short periods of time in Barre and Northfield, Vt., but the major portion of their lives was spent on the farm where they died just West from the South Hill schoolhouse and adjoining the old Jeffords' place on the south. They were both members of the M. E. church and constant attendants as long as health and strength permitted. They were privileged to live to celebrate their 50th, 60th, and 65th wedding anniversaries. They were very social old people and always enjoyed meeting people and visiting. They had one daughter: Matilda, who married A. S. Winchester and had one son, Frank, b. 1874 — d. 1899, ae. 25 yrs., he married Jennie M. Covell who died 1897, ae. 20 yrs.

Matilda M. later married Lucius Wright of Williamstown and has two children: Nellie and Carroll.

Hannah R. Bean, b. 1823, married Lovell Spaulding and has children living in Roxbury, Vt., where she resided in 1918 at the

advanced age of 94. Hannah Bean was the eldest daughter of Peter and Polly Jeffords Bean and lived much of her married life in Roxbury, Vt., and lived to be one hundred and one years of age. When asked to what she attributed her good health and great age, she answered, "Work, hard work and plenty of it. More people have died from laziness than from hard work." Mrs. Spaulding did an almost unbelievable amount of needle work and knitting, having made nearly sixty quilts.

Harrison Bean, b. Oct. 5, 1824 — d. Aug. 3, 1908 and he with his second wife are buried in the Plainfield Village cemetery. Harrison married first Emily Hatch, born in Williamstown, 1823 — d. Apr. 17, 1853. They were married June 14, 1849. Married second Orzelia Wheeler, who died 1910. Three children:

Everett Bean, b. Dec. 2, 1862 — d. Jan. 1962.

Herbert Bean, b. Feb. 3, 1876.

Katie Bean, b. Feb. 3, 1871.

Harrison Bean enlisted August 13, 1862 — Discharged June 24, 1865, Private 11th Vt., Civil War.

Merrill F. Bean lived in the west and died in Texas.

Ira Bean lived 1918 in the Soldiers' Home in Vineland, N. J. These three brothers were all soldiers in the Civil War.

Abbie Bean married a Mr. Farr and resided in Northfield, Vt. until her death in 1919. Alma Bean never married; kept house for many years for Marcus W. Smith in Williamstown, Vt. Lived with Mrs. Farr until the latter's death and then went to the home for the aged in Burlington, Vt. — d. 1937.

Martha Jeffords, b. Williamstown, Vt. 1849 — d. 1911 — married George C. Earle, b. 1848 — d. 1916. He was in the tannery business for years near the south end of Williamstown village, later they lived in Barre for a number of years coming back to Williamstown when her father and mother needed their care. Mrs. Earle was an industrious woman and a devout Christian. They had one daughter, Lucy Earle, who married H. A. Holt of Barre, Vt. Mr. Holt is a barber in that city where they still reside. They have two children: Mildred, who married Mr. Ezra White of Barre; and Ashton Holt.

Everett Bean, married Dec. 2, 1890 — Nettie M. Dodge in Plainfield, Vt.

Two children:

George Bean living in Plainfield and Mrs. Ruth Warren, of Montpelier with whom Mr. Bean resided during the last years of his life. There are three grandchildren, Elton Martin, Frederick Bean and Robert Warren, all of Montpelier.

Mr. Bean passed away in January, 1962, aged ninety-nine years.

Herbert Bean married Oct. 17, 1903 Harriette Walker in Cabot, Vt. They have a daughter, Myrtle, b. Feb. 19, 1906 — married Vernon Dow August 4, 1935, Cabot, Vt. The Dows are living in East Haven, Conn. Mrs. Dow has been very helpful to the compiler in getting material for the Peter and Polly Bean branch of the family.

Kate Bean, b. Calais, Vt. 1871 — married Lee Lane, 1888. Mr. Lane died 1925 and Mrs. Lane married Dr. O. F. Finley who passed away in 1941. Since which time Mrs. Finley has been living in Plainfield. Recently celebrated her ninetieth birthday (1960). Belongs to the O.E.S. and Grange. This winter (1962) the house in which Mrs. Finley lived burned and she suffered the loss of most of her personal possessions.

Tracy L. Jeffords, Ph.D., LL.D.

71. Tracy L. Jeffords, b. Sept. 8, 1857, Illinois — d. Dec. 25, 1946 — married June 12, 1890 at Millirsburgh, Ohio, Miss Etta Corinne, dau. of Mr. and Mrs. Wellington Stillwell. Later married Marion Chandler and after her decease married Mrs. Laura Dodge Paul of Washington, D. C.

Tracy Lillie Jeffords was born at Wyandot, Bureau County, Illinois, Sept. 9, 1857, the eldest son of Jason H. and Alcina Martin Jeffords. Moved with his parents to Williamstown, Vt., in 1860 and grew to manhood and attended the schools in Williamstown. Taught school here and graduated from Goddard Seminary and later from the University of Vermont in the class of 1886 with the degree of Ph.D. Was professor of mathematics at Buchtel College, Akron, Ohio, 1887. Received the degree of LL.B. from George Washington University Law College in 1888. Private Secretary for Congressman Wm. W. Grout for three years, Assistant U. S. Attorney for the District of Columbia 1893-1897. Was a practicing attorney in Washington, D. C. and Harper's Ferry, West Va. for many years in partnership with Mr. Edwin C. Dutton in the firm known as Jeffords and Dutton. Was a member of the American Bar Association, also the W. Va. Bar Association, vice-president and director of the Liberty National Bank in Washington. He was a member of the Asbury Methodist Church where for many years he taught a Sunday School Class of men, who all said they had the best teacher in Washington. Was a 32nd Degree Mason and had an honorary degree of LL.D. conferred on him by the University of Vermont.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeffords visited Europe, parts of Asia and the Holy Land at two different times. His death occurred December 25th, 1949 at the age of ninety-two years. He had a very pleasing personality and was a reliable, respected, substantial and worthwhile citizen and enjoyed many offices of trust and responsibility in his profession and was so often called upon to act as judge in the absence of that officer that he was called "Judge" for many years. He had a remarkable mind and memory and at the age of eighty-nine had never taken any notes into court with him, depending entirely on memory and never was wrong or at sea for facts or figures concerning the case being tried. Mr. Jeffords delivered

the oration at Williamstown on the occasion of the first celebration of Memorial Day in May, 1893.

Also he was lecturer in the George Washington Law School for years. He kept his office and practiced up to the time of his last sickness.

To T. L. J. — Daniel L. Cady

When Jeffords says — “You’ve got no case,”
 Why, then you’ve got no case;
You might as well stop where you’re at
 And save your faith and face.
When Jeffords says — “You’d best keep mum,”
 Why, then you’d best keep mum;
It ain’t no time to advertise
 Or cultivate a drum.
When Jeffords asks — “Who’ll go your bail?”
 You’d best bring in your bail,
Or be prepared to bide a wee
 Within the common jail.
When Jeffords says — “You’ve got them licked,”
 Why, then you’ve got them licked;
Just be a baby in his arms
 And never contradict.
When Jeffords says, “You’d best lay low,”
 Why, then, you’d best lay low;
It ain’t no time to climb a tree
 Or run a tallyho.
When Jeffords says — “You’re bound to win,”
 Why, then you’re bound to win;
Put up your fee and bond for costs
 And sail superbly in.

The above poem was written by Daniel L. Cady who was a college classmate and lifelong friend of Hon. Tracy L. Jeffords.

**Address Delivered by Mr. John W. Gullledge, Sunday,
January 8, 1950, on the Occasion of Memorial Services
for the Honorable Tracy L. Jeffords, Deceased**

“Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen:

“The wise man who wrote the Book of Proverbs said, ‘A man who is diligent in his business shall stand before Kings.’ Our invisible honor guest this morning, whose physical presence we shall miss for a long, long time, was not only diligent in his own business, but was also diligent about his Father’s business. It has been said there is no indispensable man in any position, but we shall need proof of that in our Bible Class.

“There is a beautifully worded song on our books that says, ‘I must tell Jesus, I must tell Jesus, I cannot bear this burden alone.’ When the disciples of John the Baptist realized their leader was dead, they went and told it to Jesus. If we remember that the loss of our leader is his gain — and tell it to Jesus, it will lighten our burden.

“When David heard about the death of King Saul and his son Jonathan, he was much grieved for them, and said, ‘I am distressed for thee, my brother Jonathan; very pleasant hast thou been unto me. Thy love for me was wonderful, passing the love of women,’ and as to Saul, he said, ‘How hath the mighty fallen.’ And later, when David was king, one day a runner sped to him with news of the death of his son Absalom. The king wept and said, ‘Oh, my son Absalom, My son, My son, would God I had died for thee.’

“These sentiments and the appellation, ‘How hath the mighty fallen,’ can very well be applied to the subject of this occasion. His life was so entwined about our hearts that any of us would fain say with David, ‘Would God I had died for him, that his useful service to God and man could have continued.’ However, he is not dead, but sleepeth, and you know Jesus said on one occasion, ‘If he sleepeth he doeth well.’

“There is no death, our stars go down,
To rise upon some fairer shore,
And bright in heaven’s jewelled crown,
They shine forevermore.

“It came to pass in the year of our Lord 1949, that the celebration of the birth of the Prince of Peace on December 25th fell on the holy Sabbath Day. On this, one of the most beautiful of days, the golden sun shone all

day with all its brilliance. I never saw a clearer day, and about the time the sun was setting beneath the rose-tinted west, the beloved teacher of this Bible Class was translated to a higher realm, into the sunrise of tomorrow.

“On this doubly sacred day, with its hallowed memories, after a long and at the close of a useful life, I think he was wont to take his departure like St. Paul, and be with Jesus, and I think it happened, or rather ‘came to pass’ in the way he would have had it. His passing was as calm and peaceful as the rising of the morning star, and as serene as the growth of the lily of the valley.

“For more than a thousand Sundays, this man among men who spoke to us who sat at his feet, as few other Bible Class teachers ever spoke to attentive listeners. The other day I sat on a front seat at his funeral, with his face in full view, and listened to the gracious words of Dr. Langrell who conducted the service, and listened to Mrs. Stone as she sang so beautifully and effectively that soul-stirring song, ‘Sunrise Tomorrow,’ I thought I could see his familiar smile when music was pouring forth from the soul of a great singer. And too, with my spiritual eyes, I saw him passing in review before the throne of God, dressed in pure white, with others of the hosts of heaven whose robes have been washed and made white in the blood of the Lamb, and it seemed to me I could hear the Master pronounce the welcome and well-deserved plaudit, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant.’

“Brother Jeffords was an able, educated and experienced lawyer, a lawyer with a conscience. He was also a consecrated, cultured Christian gentleman of the highest type of the old school. He made a special study of the Bible and imparted to us many of its mysteries from Genesis to Revelation. Martin Luther said if we would understand what is said in the Scriptures we must know why and for what reason it was said. Brother Jeffords searched the Scriptures and gave us the setting of the written word, and the background of the writers, the history of the times and circumstances under which the writing was done.

“He had on several occasions visited the Holy Land — walked on the ground made holy by the footsteps of Jesus. Having made a close study of the Bible on Bible lands, as well as an intensive study of it from the printed page, he obtained and imparted a clear insight into its profound meaning. Scientists are saying today that if there is one thing true about the universe, it is this, there is

purpose in everything about us. The central theme of all the teaching of our departed teacher was that man, as well as everything else, was created for a purpose, and this I verily believe is basic teaching of the Bible. He was constantly saying, 'it didn't just happen, it came to pass.' He believed with St. Augustine who exclaimed, 'Oh, God, thou hast made for us Thyself, and our souls are restless until they rest in Thee.'

"Our departed friend, brother and beloved teacher whom we would honor today, is now among the immortals. We wish he could have been with us longer, but the good Lord had better things for him. He had read his title clear to mansions in the skies, and has now gone to possess them for eternity. But, be it known, our eulogies are useless and vain unless we catch his spirit of service and take the torch from his lifeless material hands and bear it aloft to victory.

"The story is told of an old Christian lamplighter of London. One day some unbelievers were jeering at him about his peculiar (to them) way of life, and the old fellow said to them, 'When I go around turning out the lights, I look back where I've been and the road is dark, and that is the way of life without Jesus. I look in front and I see a long row of twinkling lights to guide me, and that is the way of life, and the future with Jesus.' His would-be tormentors said, 'Yes, but by and by you get to the last light and turn it out, then where are you?' The old man replied, 'Oh, when the last lamp goes out, then it's dawn, and there is no need for lamps when morning comes.' An eternal morning has dawned for Brother Jeffords. On this, his second Sunday in heaven, as we meet here in his honor, he is there basking in the white light of the 'Bright and Morning Star,' the 'Light of the World.'

"Therefore, here is to our good neighbor, faithful friend, affectionate brother, devoted husband, Christian statesman, the one and only — the Honorable — Tracy L. Jeffords.

"As we lift our eyes above the hills of time, and pierce onward and upward beyond the seven stars, we salute you:—

"Servant of God, well done,
Thy glorious warfare's past,
The battle's fought, the race is won,
And thou art crowned at last."

72. Russell M. Jeffords, b. Aug. 30, 1859, Illinois, d. June 9,

1945 — m. Jan. 6, 1887, at Williamstown, Vt. Ruhamah M. Erskine, b. Jan. 13, 1861 — d. May, 1936, dau. of Chas. M. and Abigail (Martin) Erskine of Williamstown. Russell moved back to Williamstown, Vt. in 1860 with his parents and was educated in the district school in town and attended other seminaries in nearby towns. He was in business with his father on the home farm where he lived until about 1920 when he sold out and went to California where he resided in Pasadena until his wife's death when he went to live with Winifred at San Pedro. He was active in town and church affairs, having been school director when the Williamstown High School was organized in 1902. He had been a successful teacher in schools in town and surrounding towns also having taught school in Wisconsin and Minnesota for a time. He also was an officer in the Methodist church of which he was a member.

The following is from the Martin Book written by Rev. A. M. Smith:

“In early school days Russell spent his summers at his father's farm and in winter in different homes, ‘Doing chores for his board and going to school,’ a custom in many large and enterprising families. He spent one winter at Dennison Martins in A.M.S. district when the latter was a small lad. Russell worked there in summer and for other farmers in different years, all of whom found in him an ideal ‘hired man’ and one who commanded the ‘biggest pay.’ Later he was sought for to ‘keep’ as well as teach school in the winter when big boys were on mischief bent instead of getting knowledge.”

Children:

88. Harrison Morton, b. July 14, 1888.

89. Leo Jacob, b. Nov. 9, 1889 — d. March, 1904.

90. Winnifred Lillie, b. July 14, 1894.

91. Erskine Martin, b. May 29, 1896.

74. Haden M. Jeffords, b. Williamstown, Vt., April 29, 1865 — d. Oct. 17, 1931 — married at Williamstown, March 4, 1886, Lilla M. Wheatley, dau. of S. F. and Ellen M. (Lyon) Wheatley (See Wheatley Genealogy) b. Nov. 7, 1867 at East Brookfield, Vt. — d. Jan. 17, 1950.

Haden M. Jeffords was the fourth son of Jason and Alcina Martin Jeffords and was born on the home farm where they lived

so many years. After his marriage they lived on the so-called "Snow Place," which was owned by his father and he worked on the J. K. Pirie Granite Quarry when it was being opened and work was on the top of the ground and hand derricks and oxen were used for power. A year later they moved to East Brookfield, Vt. on the John Wheatley farm, just this side of No. Randolph, living there for one year and then on the Jonathan Dyer farm for one year.

Returning to Williamstown they rented the farm on Baptist Street then owned by Herbert Martin, (presently owned by W. E. Sample, 1959) where they lived for three years, then purchasing the Wright Briggs farm on So. Hill then owned by Silas S. Briggs. About one and one-half years he sold part of this farm to H. B. Waldo and the other half to J. F. Bailey and moved to the West Hill on the J. R. Lyon farm which they rented (Mr. Lyon was Mrs. Jeffords' grandfather and the Lyons were giving up the farm and moved to Northfield Center). This is the farm next north from the Clogston or Judge Paine farm. Residing here two years, the farm over the hill from the Clogston School was purchased from Charles Webster where a new stable was built and the family lived there for six years from Nov. 1895 to Apr. 1902 when they purchased the farm known then as the Holloway Merrill farm, from Fred B. Bailey and this was their home until 1927 when they sold the farm to Chris Mikkelsen and moved to the village. While living on the Merrill farm a new house was erected and the barns completely renovated and rebuilt.

He was a member of the I.O.O.F. and was school director for several years. During his term as school director the village school building took its present form by a large addition and rearranging the rooms and the junior high school was established.

He was a quiet, unassuming man, a good judge of men and affairs, shown at best as a farmer. His judgment of the value of livestock and real estate was rarely at fault. He died from the effects of overwork, apparently always thinking that there was no end of a man's strength.

Children:

92. Percy Jacon, b. April 1, 1887, East Brookfield, Vt.

93. Richard Sumner, b. Oct. 31, 1888, East Brookfield, Vt.

94. Nina Ellen, b. April 13, 1890, Williamstown, Vt.

75. Frank Jeffords, b. Mar. 19, 1868, Williamstown, Vt. — d. Nov. 2, 1934 — married May 1, 1891 Louella May Pratt, b. Williamstown, Nov. 11, 1867, dau. of Wm. Z. and Mary Parsons Pratt — d. Nov. 12, 1933.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jeffords lived with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Moses and Aseneth Parsons, who resided on a small farm on the east hill near the Farnham or Worthington farm. Later moved to the Sibley or Chester Martin farm for about two years, then purchasing the Williams farm just off the Quarry road and resided there until they sold and went to the village to live.

Frank was a very strong man and quick witted, never having to wait long for an answer to anything that might be said. He and his older brother, Hayden, always worked as if a man's strength and ability to carry on was unexpendable. He had partial or creeping paralysis for several years caused from a hurt while working. They attended the Universalist Church.

Children:

95. Ruby Marion, b. Aug. 20, 1892, Williamstown, Vt.

96. Arlene May, b. April 22, 1895, Williamstown, Vt.

97. Glenn William, b. July 10, 1897 — d. June 14, 1909.

98. Worth Jason, b. Oct. 26, 1898.

99. Gertrude Ellen, b. Aug. 2, 1901.

78. Mary A. Jeffords, b. June 6, 1875 — d. May 20, 1958, Williamstown, Vt. — married Nov. 26, 1896 Lester W. Heath, b. Mar. 13, 1871, son of Chas. and (Julia Fitts) Heath. One child died in infancy.

Lester Heath was a stone-cutter and they resided in Barre and for several years at Hardwick, Vt. Eventually his health failed and he gave way to the disease common to the trade of stone workers.

Aunt Mary was quite gifted in art and made many fine oil paintings. After her husband's death she resided for some years in Wellesley, Mass., where she ran a boarding and rooming house. Passed away from the infirmities of age May 20th, 1958.

George Harrison Goodrich — m. May 20, 1899 Hattie Metcalf, dau. of Moses and Mary Roberts Metcalf of Washington, Vt. Hattie had been a successful teacher for several years in early life. Later after the death of her husband was a very successful domestic nurse. George was a bass singer and for years a member of the Congregational choir, also played a bass horn in the Williamstown Cornet Band. They lived on the farm where his folks lived on the Brookfield road.

One dau., Edith Lillian, b. June 21, 1900 — m. Lawrence Holmes, son of Fred and Clara Peabody Holmes of East Brookfield, Vt. on Dec. 20, 1919. They have three daughters, Shirley, Silvia and Cynthia.

Shirley married Howard Hathaway and she is a teacher in the public schools, presently in Brattleboro, Vt.

Silvia is a registered nurse and is married and has two children.

Cynthia married Fernando Saldi and she is clerk in the Howard Johnson Restaurant on the Barre-Montpelier road.

88. Harrison Morton Jeffords, b. July 13, 1888, Williamstown, Vt. Graduated from Williamstown High School, Montpelier Seminary, 1908, Syracuse University, N. Y. A.B. degree, 1914; was principal of high school, Greenwood, N. Y., 1914-17; of high school, Shinglehouse, Penn. 1917-18; began supervising agent of Connecticut State Board of Education 1918 and continued 1929 at a salary of \$4,300 a year. Both he and Mrs. Jeffords are members of the Methodist Church. Mason, Republican.

Married August 14, 1917 at Waterbury, Conn. Irene Ethel MacGregor, b. Sept. 3, 1891, Moores N. Y. dau. of George W. and Mary (Kellar) MacGregor. Graduated from Waterbury, Conn. high school; Middlebury, Vt. College, A.B. degree. Taught in Greenwood, N. Y. high school.

Four children:

100. Russell MacGregor Jeffords, b. May 11, 1918, Shinglehouse, Penn.

101. Thelma Mary Jeffords, b. Jan. 23, 1922, Waterbury, Conn.

102. Dexter Martin Jeffords, b. Sept. 17, 1920, Waterbury, Conn.

103. Shirley Elsie Jeffords, b. Jan. 25, 1923, Waterbury, Conn.

Family were living at Kent, Conn., at the time of the births of the three younger children.

The above taken from the Martin Genealogy. Since the time that was published Morton has been the supervisor of schools at Fairfield, Conn. and at Chelmsford, Mass. Is now retired and living at Plainville, Conn. Mason.

Morton passed away very suddenly and unexpectedly at Plainville, Conn., Monday, March 14, 1960.

90. Winifred Lillie Jeffords, b. July 14, 1894 — d. Oct. 24, 1947 at Williamstown, Vt. res. 1929 Los Angeles, Cal., graduated from Williamstown high school, Montpelier Seminary, Vt., 1912; Middlebury College, Vt., 1917; Phi Beta Kappa; taught school one year in Plainfield, Vt.; both she and husband active in M. E. church. Republicans. Married July 7, 1917, Williamstown, Vt. Raymond Brown Waldo, b. Nov. 3, 1892 Williamstown, Vt., son of Luther Marshall and Alice M. Brown Waldo. Graduated Montpelier Seminary 1911; Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn. two years; went to Holtville, Calif. Jan. 1915 and engaged in agriculture; entered U. S. Army Dec. 1917, was Sgt. in Intelligence Dt. in France and Germany. From Mar. 1918 until discharged May 2, 1919 he was used to investigate German positions in which duty a comrade with him was shot and Raymond only saved himself by dropping in a shell hole. After the war he became a teacher in agriculture in schools of Los Angeles, Calif. and a landscape designer suggesting and placing ornamental shrubbery in lawns and parks, though confining himself to teaching; resided first in So. Pasadena, Calif., then Los Angeles. Member of American Legion and Vice-Pres. of M. E. Brotherhood of his church.

Two children:

Alice Lillie Waldo, b. Apr. 17, 1918, Williamstown, Vt. Her father was overseas at the time.

Luther Russell Waldo, b. June 15, 1922, Pasadena, Calif.

91. Erskine Martin Jeffords, b. May 29, 1896, Williamstown, Vt. Methodist Clergyman. Graduated from Williamstown High School and Montpelier, Vt. Seminary 1914; B.A. Syracuse (N. Y.)

University 1918; B.D. Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Ill. 1923; ordained Methodist minister 1923. Served with Tank Corps, A.E.F., 1918-1919. Married Aug. 11, 1918, Margaret Heaton Shay, b. June 9, 1897, Montpelier, Vt. in Heaton Hospital (given her middle name because she was the first baby born there) res. Chelsea, Vt. She was the daughter of Wm. A. Shay and Myrtie E. Sprague.

Margaret graduated from Montpelier Seminary, Vt. 1914; Middlebury College, Vt. 1919. Margaret passed away in October, 1927, after the birth of her son.

Two children:

104. Margaret Elizabeth Jeffords, b. Apr. 21, 1920, Colfax, Ind. — d. Apr. 22, 1920.

105. Erskine Martin Jeffords, b. Oct. 16, 1926, Peoria, Ill.

Erskine has served the following churches: assistant pastor, Peoria, Ill., 1923-1932; pastor, Rantoul, 1932-35; Quincy, 1935-38; Wilmette 1938-46; Executive Secretary of Lake Bluff Children's Home, Chicago, 1946 to the present time, 1959.

Married second, Beatrice Snedaker, June 6, 1931, and she passed away in March, 1954.

Married 3rd, May 23, 1959 to Alice Murphy.

Further mention may be made that Erskine is a Trustee of the Wesley Foundation, University of Ill.; Member of Rock River Conference of the Methodist Church; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, a Republican in politics and a 32nd degree Mason.

Their present residence is 9517 Lindenwood Drive, Evanston, Ill.

106. Bessie L. Jeffords, b. June 29, 1891, Washington, D. C. — d. Feb. 14, 1920 — m. Carl Adams Reed, b. May 25, 1890 — Brookfield, Vt., son of Albert D. and Mary Adams Reed. (Mary's father was John Adams, Williamstown, Vt., whose 1st wife was Anna Howe, dau. of Enoch and Polly Abbott Howe) see Abbott History, Vol. 1.

Bessie was educated in a private school in Washington, D. C. and was a very accomplished and gifted musician. Taught school several terms in Vermont before her marriage.

Carl was graduated from University of Vermont as an engineer and was with the General Electric Co. afterwards.

Two children:

Albert Tracy, b. Apr. 12, 1913, Williamstown, Vt.

Helen Louise, b. July 20, 1917, Chicago, Ill.

Bessie passed away from the flu in Feb., 1920 and her parents adopted little Helen and had her name changed to Mary Jeffords. She had a fatal attack of measles before starting to school.

Carl afterward married and there are three other children: Dale, Alice and George Reed.

92. Percy Jason Jeffords, b. April 1st, 1887 at East Brookfield, Vt. at the old John Wheatley farm where his mother and grandfather first saw the light of day, and moved with his parents to Williamstown at the age of two years and this town has since been his residence. Educated in the town's district schools and the Williamstown High School. Taught school several years in this and adjoining towns and worked on his father's farm when not so engaged. Married August 11, 1920, June Elvira Collins, b. Nov. 24, 1890, dau. of Frank E. Collins and Jennie K. Soderstrom. June was educated in the schools of Topsham and Bradford, Vt.; attended the Randolph, Vt. Normal School one year and graduated from Bradford Academy. Afterwards taught school in various towns in central Vermont for about eight years before her marriage.

They purchased a farm one-half mile from the village on the old Brookfield road which has since been their home. Both are members and constant attendants of the Methodist Church, now the United Church. He is a member of the Odd Fellows and the Masons. June is a member of the O.E.S.

Percy held the town office of tax lister for around twenty years and was appointed town clerk and treasurer in 1938, which office he held until March, 1958 when he declined to be elected again. Was the representative in the Legislature in 1935. Has frequently been called upon to administer estates and act as guardian for others. Has been trustee and president of the board for the Ainsworth Library for a long time.

Two children:

106. Francis Wheatley, b. May 6, 1923.

107. Winston Haden, b. Nov. 2, 1925 — d. January 28, 1937.

93. Richard Sumner Jeffords, b. Oct. 31, 1888 at East Brookfield, Vt., came with his parents to Williamstown as a child and has resided here since that time. He was educated in the common schools of Williamstown and graduated from the Williamstown High School in 1908. Taught school for a time and owned the drug and stationery store in the Beckett Block for a time; later worked in the stone business at Barre, Vt. Retired in 1956 and since that time has spent the winters in Florida. They have made their home for many years at the former place owned by Oliver and Jane Dickenson on the Quarry Road. Married Bessie Shorey Aug. 25, 1921 at Plainfield, Vt. Bessie b. July 13, 1890, dau. of Fred and Ellen Kinney Shorey. Bessie graduated from Montpelier Seminary and taught school for several years in Williamstown and some other towns. Both are members and active in the Methodist church and have sung in the choir for a long period of time.

They have one son:

108. Richard Franklin Jeffords, b. Oct. 3, 1923.

94. Nina Ellen Jeffords, b. April 13, 1890 at Williamstown, Vt. Went to the Williamstown district schools and graduated from the Williamstown High School in 1907. Afterwards taught school in town for two years before her marriage to Alden Henry Jewett, Sept. 2, 1909. Alden was born in Keswick, N. B. Nov. 7, 1882, son of Thomas and Eliza Jane McCollough Jewett. He attended the College of Agriculture at Durham, N. H. and at UVM. Worked for the Lyndonville Creamery Association for years and was manager of the creamery in Williamstown until it was sold and then worked in the insurance business, representing several fire insurance companies and the Massachusetts Mutual Life. He was a member of the Odd Fellows, the Masons and the Congregational church of which he was a trustee at the time of his death. Had been town auditor and held some other minor offices in the town. Was fond of singing and was for a time a member of the choir.

Dec. 3, 1932 they were in a serious auto accident and their son, David, was killed and both Alden and Nina were seriously in-

jured. He never fully recovered and had to use a cane ever afterwards but was able to drive his car and do business.

Nina was gifted with a good alto voice and was nearly a life-long member of the choir and in her last years the church organist.

Alden died Jan. 2, 1945 and Nina passed away July 31, 1955.

Three children:

Lloyd Haden, b. Aug. 1, 1910, Williamstown, Vt.

Albion Alden, b. Apr. 19, 1917, Williamstown, Vt. — d. Mar. 1920.

David Franklin, b. July 30, 1921, Williamstown, Vt. — d. Dec. 9, 1932.

95. Ruby Marion Jeffords, b. Aug. 1892, Williamstown, Vt. — graduated Williamstown High School, Goddard Seminary, Barre, Vt. 1912 — married August 1, 1917 Williamstown, Vt. to Gerald Woodward Brock, b. Sept. 11, 1894, Barre, Vt. — d. Nov. 3, 1927 in the great flood, Barre, Vt., son of Everett C. and Ella J. Brock, member of I.O.O.F., both Universalist and Republicans. Gerald and Ralph Winters, during the big flood, were in a store cellar in Barre, Vt. removing goods when a rear wall broke, letting waters fill the cellar. Seven were drowned in Barre city. Gerald was a machinist. Ruby an accountant in a store where she worked for several years. Is a member of the O.E.S., D.A.R. and other organizations where she is very helpful and capable.

Married second to Fred A. George, Nov. 24, 1937, son of Chas. and Alma Adams George. He owns the former George farm on the west hill in Williamstown, also the former E. J. Poor farm and carries on one of the largest sugar operations in this section of the state, if not one of the largest in Vermont. Also has a large herd of Jersey cows. Does a large granite trucking business from Barre to New York and other distant points. They reside on Maple Avenue, Barre, Vt.

Fred passed away Nov., 1961, ae. 68 yrs. after a long period of suffering from diabetes.

96. Arlene May Jeffords, b. April 22, 1895, Williamstown, Vt., husband a Universalist clergyman. Graduate of Williamstown High School, Goddard Seminary, Barre, Vt. 1913. Married May

1, 1919, Williamstown, Vt. to Weston Atwood Cate, b. Feb. 27, 1894, Tokyo, Japan; son of Rev. Isaac Wallace and Ella Stimson Cate. Graduate of Goddard Seminary, Barre, Vt.; Lawrence University, Canton, N. Y. Theological School 1918. Is a Mason; both Universalists and non-partisan politics.

Arlene was a very capable teacher in the public schools of Barre where she taught for six years before marriage, is very musical and an exceptionally good singer, being most helpful in her church work. Weston was the son of one of the first Universalist missionaries to Japan, who after losing his health there died on the ship home. Both Arlene and Weston have the admirable qualities of ability and geniality and they have served some of the larger parishes of their denomination, namely St. Johnsbury and Woodstock, Vt., Nashua, N. H., Augusta, Me. and No. Adams, Mass., presently they are residing in Foxboro, Mass., where Mr. Cate is pastor of the Universalist church and chaplain of the Doolittle Home for Universalists in that town. Mrs. Cate is matron of the home.

Four children:

Weston Atwood Cate, Jr., b. July 16, 1921, St. Johnsbury, Vt.

Glenna M. Cate, b. April 7, 1924, Hanover, N. H. — d. Apr. 8, at the hospital.

Marcia M. Cate, b. April 28, 1928, Nashua, N. H.

Andrea Maleen Cate, b. Nov. 10, 1932.

98. Worthe Jason Jeffords, b. October 26, 1898, Williamstown, Vt. — graduated from Goddard Seminary, Barre, Vt. Married Aug. 3, 1925, at Plainfield, Vt. Goldie Clare Farnsworth, b. Dec. 4, 1898, Worcester, Vt., dau. of Alden and Martha Prentiss Farnsworth. Educated at Montpelier High School.

Worthe was a salesman for several years, then clerk at the Central Hotel, Barre, Vt. For several years has been employed in the granite industry.

Goldie died shortly after the birth of their son.

Children:

109. Martha May Jeffords, b. 1931.

110. Gerald Glen Jeffords, b. 1935.

Worthe married secondly June 20, 1942, Violet Johansson, b.

1911 Barre, Vt., dau. of C. A. and Augusta Swanson Johansson. They have resided all their married life in town and now own the farm located on "Brush Hill" so-called, just west of the village.

99. Gertrude Ellen Jeffords, b. Aug. 19, 1904, Williamstown, Vt., attended the Williamstown school graduating from the high school, then took the teacher training course in Spaulding High School, Barre, Vt. Taught school several years in and near Williamstown. Married Chester Seagar, and lives in Conn.

Martha May Jeffords, married June 25, 1955, Ernest Aldous, b. Middleton Springs, Vt. 1930, son of Ernest and Alice Haynes Aldous. Martha graduated from Williamstown High School and from the University of Vermont. Has taught in Plainfield High School and is presently a very successful teacher of Latin and English in Williamstown High School. They live on the farm known as the Hawley Gale or Murray farm on the Berlin road. Daughter Susan Lesley, b. Apr. 6, 1962.

Gerald Glen Jeffords — m. Aug. 22, 1959 Loraine Jarvis of Northfield, Vt., dau. b. Sept. 14, 1961 — Ann May.

Sarah Chastina Work, b. July 9, 1851, Williamstown, Vt., dau. of Lyman A. and Mary Ann Jeffords Work — d. April 13, 1920 Williamstown, Vt. — m. J. Munroe Seaver Jan. 1, 1873. "Mun" Seaver always lived in Williamstown, Vt., on a farm on the east hill at first where he lost his hand in the end of a cylinder of a threshing machine; moving to the village where he bought cattle, sheep and hogs for the market and finally became interested in the local meat market. He held various town offices as selectman, justice of the peace and represented the town in the legislature.

Two children:

Charles Mead Seaver.

Nellie Seaver.

Julia Work, b. June 19, 1855 Williamstown, Vt., dau. of Lyman A. and Mary Ann Jeffords Work — m. 1st Charles Bass, b. Nov. 17, 1848 — d. Feb. 27, 1878, Williamstown, Vt. They lived in Williamstown where he drove a freight team between Williamstown and Montpelier before the advent of the R.R. in town.

Two children, b. Williamstown, Vt.:—

Beulah H. Bass, b. Feb. 17, 1874 — m. Fred Clay.

Jessie M. Bass, b. Aug. 19, 1875 — m. Edward L. House.

Julia Bass, m. 2nd June 19, 1879, Barre, Vt., Kimball Blanchard, a farmer on West Hill, Barre, Vt. — d. Nov. 16, 1900, Williamstown, Vt.

One child:—

Nellie Catherine Blanchard, b. May 24, 1893, Barre, Vt. She was never married and was a successful bookkeeper in various business and mercantile establishments.

Charles M. Seaver, m. Elizabeth Ann Work, Oct. 23, 1912, Williamstown, Vt. She was b. Dec. 4, 1863 Williamstown, Vt., youngest dau. of Lyman A. and Mary Ann Jeffords Work — d. July 16, 1926.

Probably no one has more closely applied himself to his own and the town business than has "Charlie" Seaver. From his boyhood he has been an intelligent merchant in his general store, for long years until breaking health forced a short rest. Then having sold the store he built up a grain and coal trade which reached surrounding towns. He remodeled his father's home into a modern one and with his wife was spending winters in Florida and So. Pasadena, Calif. until the terrible flood of Nov. 3, 1927, when his home with his critically sick wife was threatened, the R.R. destroyed, his trade disrupted and the overwrought nerves gave way. Since then he has been recuperating in a hospital.

Beulah Bass, b. Feb. 17, 1874, Williamstown, Vt. — m. Feb. 15, 1893 Williamstown, Vt., Fred H. Clay, b. Sept. 5, 1870 Stoneham, Mass. — Mason, school, Chauncey Hall — Live in Natick, Mass. — d. Oct. 27, 1958, ae. 84.

Three children:—

Lewis B. Clay, b. Aug. 20, 1895, Barre, Vt. — m. Maud Evans. Stanley W. Clay, b. Aug. 8, 1898, Barre, Vt. — d. Nov. 8, 1898, Barre, Vt.

Alden Frederick Clay, b. June 2, 1902, Barre, Vt.

Jessie Mary Bass, b. Aug. 19, 1875, Williamstown — m. June 5, 1895 Williamstown, Vt. Edward Leon House, b. Jan. 31, 1865 Williamstown, Vt., son of Henry and Lucy Townsend House. A barber in Barre and Williamstown, Vt. "Ed's good nature and dry humor may well be expressed by relating that when he engaged the compiler (A. M. S.) to officiate at the wedding Ed met him in

the road near the former's home and after a casual greeting said, "Come down to Mr. Blanchard's (her step-father's home) and shovel sand;" then turning his horse around went back. It might be interesting to know how he approached the proposal of marriage, but he evidently made himself understood. Ed House was an accomplished musician and played bass viol in the House orchestra.

They have one son — Reginald K. House, b. Apr. 25, 1911, Barre, Vt., who is a doctor and practices in Hanover, N. H., at the Mary Hitchcock Hospital.

Abbie Bean, b. Jan. 7, 1835, Brookfield, Vt., dau. of Peter and Polly K. Jeffords Bean, m. David N. Martin, Apr. 1852 — they were divorced.

Hattie Work, married May 6, 1877, Edmund J. Poor, b. Berlin, Vt., 1849 — d. 1911.

Edmund J. Poor was a prosperous farmer in the town having one of the largest farms in Williamstown where he had a large dairy and beef cattle business as well as maple sugar business.

Five children:

Fred L. Poor, b. Williamstown, Sept. 12, 1878.

Ora P. Poor, b. Williamstown, 1880.

Leon E. Poor, b. Williamstown, 1881.

Anna Poor, b. Williamstown, 1885.

Sarah Poor, b. Williamstown, 1891 — Nov. 20.

Fred L. Poor, m. Sept. 23, 1908, Ethel Holden, b. Nov. 18, 1890 at Williamstown, Vt., dau. of George and Zora Holden. They purchased the farm nearest the Berlin turn and adjoining his father's old farm where they erected a new house and continued to live there until his death on Nov. 16, 1945.

Three sons:

Sherwood, b. May 9, 1919.

Francis, b. Dec. 16, 1920.

Weldon, b. Nov. 10, 1921.

Ora P. Poor married Mabel Gorham, b. 1880 — d. 1944, and purchased the farm where his father lived and continued to farm on that place until his death.

Three children:

Robert Poor, b. Nov. 2, 1914.

Evelyn Poor, b. Oct. 20, 1915.

Sheldon Poor, b. Sept. 20, 1917.

Leon E. Poor, m. Jan. 1, 1910, Blanche Nixon, b. Oct. 16, 1891, dau. of Chas. and Annie Carter Nixon of Williamstown, Vt. They purchased the farm just off the Graniteville road from Frank and May Jeffords where they resided until Leon's health gave out when they moved to the village. Leon was an excellent farmer. Blanche is an unusually gifted singer and was a member of the Congregational choir for years and besides being in demand to sing at entertainments and also at funerals.

Anna Poor, m. Aug. 15, 1906, Vernon Edson of Williamstown. Anna was a graduate of Goddard Seminary and taught school for a time. After their marriage they both attended the Kirksville School of Osteopathy and upon graduation both practiced their profession in Woodsville, N. H., where they resided until Mr. Edson's death in 1944 when Anna sold her property there and moved to Williamstown and lived near her people until her death June 2, 1959.

Sarah Poor, m. E. Clyde McAllister, b. 1881 Washington, Vt., son of Chas. and Eva Seaver McAllister. They purchased a small farm across the road from her brother Fred where they lived until Clyde's death in 1941.

Three children:—

Rachel, b. May 27, 1913.

Ruth, b. Mar. 13, 1915.

Rebecca, b. May, 1923.

Sarah married Nov. 3, 1952 H. Guy Fletcher of Williamstown. They lived in Mill Village (Williamstown, Vt.) until Guy's death. He was a prominent citizen in town affairs, having been an officer in Brookfield and represented that town in the legislature twice. He was selectman and representative at Montpelier two different times from Williamstown.

Sherwood Poor, m. Aug. 29, 1941, Atlantis Thurber of Burlington, Vt. Atlantis was a successful teacher in the public schools for several years. They eventually purchased the general store in

West Braintree where they have the post office and are doing a good business.

Four children:

David, b. July 12, 1942.

Janet, b. Oct. 7, 1943.

Jean, b. Oct. 7, 1943.

Brian Phillip, b. June 6, 1949.

Francis E. Poor, m. June 28, 1944, Harriett Hebert, dau. of Henry and Lora Hebert of Williamstown, Vt., b. Nov. 16, 1920. They purchased the farm next south of the former E. J. Poor farm and occupied this place for several years and later selling out and buying a large farm in the eastern part of Northfield, Vt.

Four children:

Cheryl Ann, b. Sept. 22, 1943.

Myrle Frances, b. Feb. 4, 1946.

Linda Lee, b. Sept. 8, 1951.

Ronald Frederick, b. Sept. 3, 1954.

Weldon Poor, m. Oct. 20, 1945, Theresa Hebert, dau. of Henry and Lora Hebert of Williamstown, Vt., b. April 11, 1927. They purchased the farm where his parents lived and are living there at the present time. Unfortunately they lost the barn by fire and have built a new barn and are still farming and Weldon has been working for the Marsh-Allen Co. besides carrying on the farm.

Two children:

Michael A., b. July 23, 1947.

Alvin Lewis, b. Sept. 6, 1955.

Robert Poor has not married at the present writing and is employed by Fred A. George on the old Poor farm. — d. 1961.

Evelyn Poor is a graduate nurse and is married to Wendell Statson and they reside in Connecticut.

Sheldon Poor is married and lives in Connecticut.

Rachel McAllister graduated from Lyndon Teacher's College and taught several years in the public schools. Married Phillip Smith, then the principal of Williamstown High School. They have lived since in Johnson, Vt., where he is the high school principal. They have three sons.

Ruth McAllister married Roland Thayer of Woodsville, N. H., where they have lived since their marriage.

Children:

Rebecca McAllister, m. Harvey Lacillade, son of James and Sigrid Lacillade of Williamstown, Vt. Both were educated in Williamstown High School and Harvey is the president of the Lacillade Lumber Company in Williamstown. They are doing a large and profitable business in lumber and all building supplies.

Two children:

Elizabeth Lynn, b. May 15, 1947. Patricia Jo, b. Dec. 11, 1958.

Alma Work, m. Eugene Call, Feb. 2, 1898 and they lived where her father lived in the village. Mr. Call erected the saw-mill where he carried on the mill business for several years until his health gave out. Mr. Call died 1919, and Mrs. Call passed away Apr. 25, 1913.

Two children:

Dorothy, b. Feb. 2, 1899.

Kenneth, b. Aug. 3, 1901.

Dorothy became a nurse and lives in Virginia. Kenneth married and is now living in Massachusetts.

Lucy Harriett Earle, b. Williamstown, Vt. Feb. 20, 1868, m. M. H. Augustus Holt March 8, 1888 Montpelier, Vt., b. Mar. 10, 1868 Searsburg, Vt., son of Lovell and Paulina (Crosier) Holt. She attended Spaulding High School two years. Both members of Congregational church, O.E.S. Mr. Holt a Mason and K.P. Barber by profession, lived in Barre, Vt. many years and finally in her old home in Williamstown, Vt.

Four children:

Mildred Earle Holt, b. Feb. 25, 1889, Barre, Vt., m. Ezra White.

Earle Augustus Holt, b. Jan. 1, 1891, Barre, Vt. — d. Aug. 3, 1891, Barre, Vt.

Ashton E. Holt, b. July 4, 1892 — m. Lena B. Bushnell.

Infant Holt, b. Jan. 2, 1899.

Mildred A. Holt, b. Feb. 25, 1889, Barre, Vt. — m. Mar. 30, 1910 at Barre, Vt. Ezra Louis White, b. June 12, 1886 Williston, Vt., son of David L. White and Clara LeClair White. Mrs. White

attended Spaulding High School. Mr. White in the granite business at Barre, Vt., both Catholics.

Three children:

Russell Earle White, b. Barre, Vt., April 11, 1916.

Barbara Jean White, b. Barre, Vt., Jan. 22, 1919.

Robert Lewis White, b. Barre, Vt., Feb. 20, 1926.

Russell Earle White is a lawyer, practicing for some time in Barre, now in New York State. Other two children reside in Barre, Vt.

Ashton Earle Holt, b. July 4, 1892 — m. Barre, Vt. Nov. 7, 1917 Lena Blanche Russell, b. June 23, 1892, Barre, Vt., dau. of Timothy and Ethel (Holmes) Russell, Both Congregationalists, Mason, Republicans. Was in the Naval Reserve, World War I, 6 mos. Bond salesman for the Denison Mfg. Co. in Springfield, Mass. 1 dau. b. Nov. 9, 1927.

Francis Wheatley Jeffords

106. Francis W. Jeffords, b. May 6, 1923 — Barre City Hospital, Barre, Vt. — m. Dec. 29, 1946 at Chicago, Ill., Gwendolin Hollingsworth, b. Feb. 17, 1929, Chicago, Ill., dau. of Russell Hollinsworth and Golda Spurling Hollingsworth.

Francis attended the Williamstown, Vt. graded school and graduated from Williamstown High School June 12, 1941. He then went to Blackburn College at Carlinville, Ill. where he graduated May 10, 1943. He enlisted in the U. S. Navy and continued his premedical studies at De Pauw University, at Greencastle, Ind. Then entered the University of Illinois College of Medicine at Chicago, Ill., graduating from that institution in 1947. Interned at the Norwegian American Hospital in Chicago for two years. Then, having been discharged from the U. S. Navy, he enlisted in the Army as a medical man, and was stationed at Ft. Eustis in Virginia for about two years, then was assigned to Elmendorff, Alaska, for three years. Following this they were at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, for one year, then at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D. C. for three years and moved from there to Fort Belvoir, Va. In March 1958 were sent to Bremerhaven, Germany, where they resided until 1961 when they were transferred to Fort Stewart, Georgia and are presently residing in Jesup, Georgia. Francis is a Mason and they are members of the Presbyterian church in Jesup. Mason and O.E.S.

Six Children:

- 111. Deborah Ann Jeffords, b. May 16, 1949.
- 112. Randolph Wheatley, b. Sept. 21, 1950.
- 113. Tracy Hawthorne, b. May 12, 1953.
- 114. Rebecca Jane, b. July 7, 1954.
- 115. Priscilla Reed, b. June 24, 1956.
- 116. Ethan Grant, b. June 14, 1958.

108. Richard Franklin Jeffords

Franklin married Grace Sargent. He graduated from Williamstown High School, then took a course in radio work and was with the Pan-American Airways for several years and traveled extensively. They lived in various places in the western U. S. and he is now working for the government doing the same kind of work and is stationed at Colorado Springs, Col.

Three children:

117. Richard Franklin, b. Dec. 22, 1945.

118. Robert Charles, b. March 31, 1953.

119. Beverly Jean, b. Sept. 18, 1955.

Lloyd H. Jewett, b. Aug. 2, 1910 — m. Myrtle LeClair Feb. 6, 1932. Lloyd lived for several years on the former Merrill farm on South Hill in Williamstown and worked on the J. K. Pirie Quarry where he was a good workman. Sold the farm and went to live with his mother in the village.

Six children:

Robert L., b. July 31, 1932.

Roscoe, b. May 28, 1934.

Gloria, b. Sept. 20, 1935.

Rosalie N., b. Mar. 4, 1938.

Phillip A., b. Dec. 8, 1939.

Mary E., b. Aug. 31, 1943.

Weston Attwood Cate, Jr. married Jean Margaret Stetson of Springfield, Vt., b. March 20, 1924. They have three sons:

Weston Attwood (3rd), b. May 16, 1947.

Paul Stetson, b. Oct. 19, 1949.

David Wallace, b. March 7, 1952.

Weston Cate, Jr., is a graduate of Auburn, Me. high school, and also of Bates College. Taught school one year in Stockholm, Me. high school, two years in Black River High School in Ludlow, Vt., and for eleven years has been a teacher and chairman of the English Department of Hartford High School, White River Junction, Vt. Mr. Cate has been active in community affairs, having been secretary of the Hartford Chamber of Commerce and served as town moderator for four years. He is a past president of the

Hartford Teachers Association and the Vermont Department of Classroom Teachers. Has recently been elected Executive Secretary of the Vermont Education Association, with headquarters at Montpelier where the family now reside and are active in the community and church life of the city. Weston Cate, Jr., won the first prize essay contest given by the American Legion Auxiliary by writing an essay on the subject "Why I Teach." This prize carried a reward of some six hundred dollars and an all-expense trip to the National Convention in St. Louis, Mo. The award was the unanimous choice of the judges.

Marcia Marilin Cate, m. Richard Edmund Desjarlais, b. Apr. 1, 1922.

Children:

Pamela Ann, b. Oct. 26, 1955.

Wendy Jean, b. Oct. 12, 1956.

Andrea Maleen Cate, m. Francis Wilfred Rancourt, b. Aug. 12, 1934.

Children:

Virginia Arlene, b. June 8, 1955.

David Brian, b. Oct. 2, 1956.

Of the five children of Mr. and Mrs. Jason H. Jeffords who lived to maturity, three of them were teachers in the public schools and of the eleven grandchildren, eight were school teachers for various periods of time. The older generation having taught when the district committee man gave them the examination for a certificate and they "boarded around" as was the custom at that time. Those of the younger people who did not have normal training took the teachers examination of the County examiners of Orange and Washington counties.

